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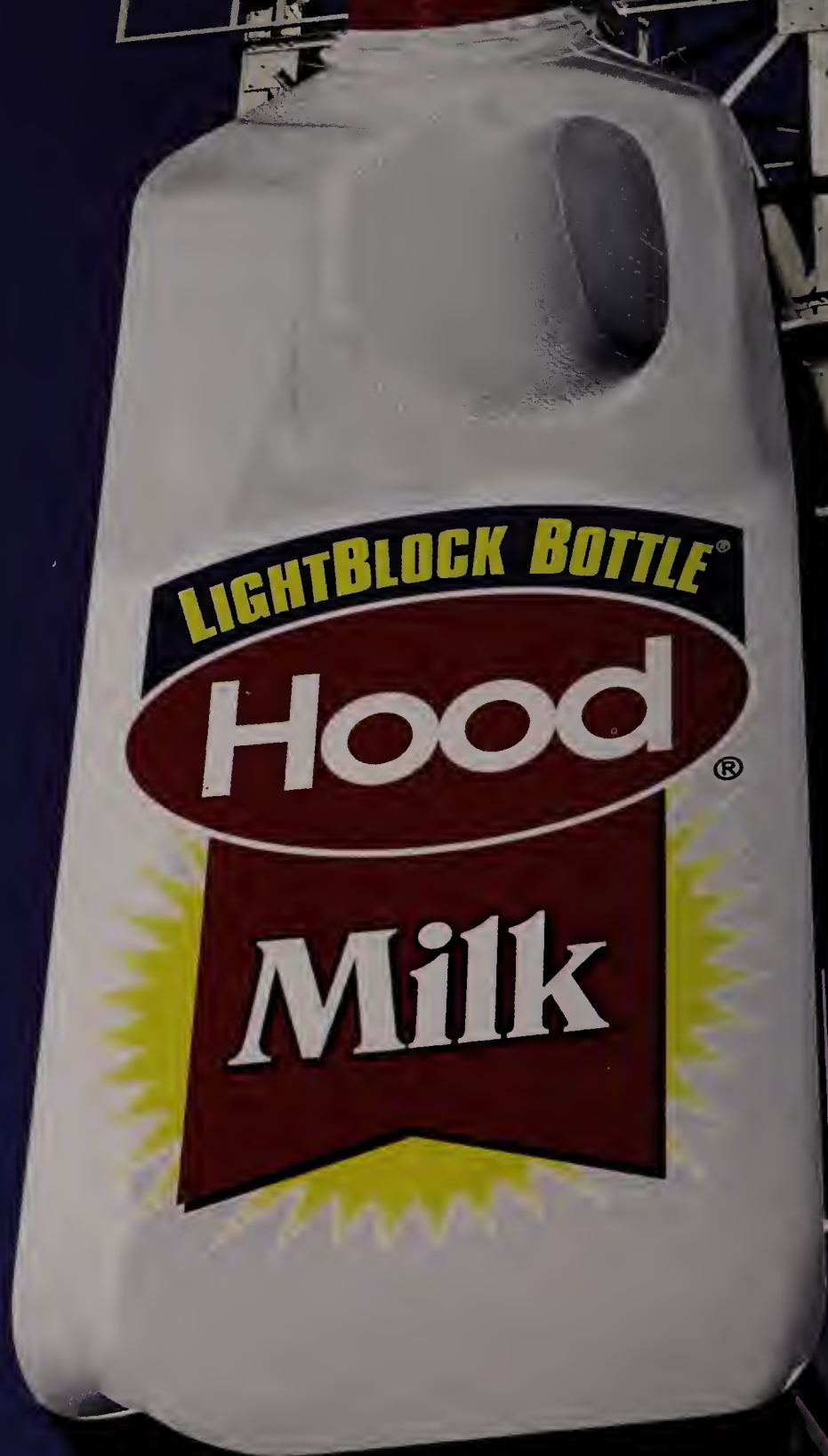


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# The Comeback Kids

## The 2003 Red Sox Season in Review

by Mike Petraglia

BOSTON — Resiliency.

It's arguably the most accurate and important word to describe the 2003 Boston Red Sox. And it's also one of the main reasons the Red Sox find themselves in the playoffs.

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Kevin Millar.



## 2003 SEASON IN REVIEW



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Clockwise from lower left:  
 Bill Mueller, David Ortiz,  
 Todd Walker



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No team in the majors consistently displayed the ability and desire to bounce back from adversity, and this collective character trait would show itself in the season's opening week, setting the tone for

the remainder of the year.

The day was March 31 and the Red Sox entered the ninth inning of their earliest season opener in history at Tropicana Field leading Tampa Bay, 4-1. The bullpen, reconstructed in the off-season, could not convert its first save opportunity. The Devil Rays capped off a stunning rally when Carl Crawford hit a three-run homer to center off Chad Fox, giving the hosts a 6-4 victory over Boston.

Fortunately, the Red Sox didn't have to wait long for the chance at redemption. In the season's second game, the Red Sox bullpen once again couldn't protect a late-inning lead, allowing the Devil Rays to tie the game, 8-8, in the eighth. But instead of allowing history to repeat itself, the Red Sox extended the game to 16 innings before

Kevin Millar connected for a solo homer to give Boston its first win of the season.

The 16-inning thriller also launched the club on a four-game winning streak and served notice to the rest of the American League that these Red Sox could score and score often.

No one, it seemed, had ever received more attention in Red Sox history without playing a single game than Millar. After a patient and meticulous negotiation, the Red Sox finally completed a trade with Florida on February 15 and landed the former Marlin, who turned down the chance to play in Japan to stay in the majors.

Millar's story reflects how the 2003 Red Sox roster was creatively and aggressively restocked with new faces thanks to a new leader.

At 28 years, 10 months, Theo Epstein became the youngest general manager in major league history when he was named the 11th Red Sox GM on November 25, 2002.

Epstein, who grew up just over a long fly ball from Fenway Park in Brookline MA, wasted little time bringing in fresh faces that would help the team make a run at every offensive record known to baseball historians.





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Clockwise: Byung-Hyun Kim, Pedro Martinez, Mike Timlin, Casey Fossum

Before compiling the offensive machine that became the 2003 Red Sox, Epstein made it a point to first surround himself with some of the most experienced and innovative minds in the game.

Joining Epstein in his baseball cabinet were three former GMs: Bill Lajoie, Mike Port and Lee Thomas, as well as Josh Byrnes, who came to Boston as assistant GM after a similar role in Colorado, Craig Shipley and baseball historian and statistician extraordinaire Bill James, author of *The Bill James Historical Abstract*.

Once the administrative team was in place, Epstein wasted little time filling holes and addressing needs. By mid-January, Epstein had acquired, either via trade or free agency, the likes of second baseman Todd Walker, third baseman Bill Mueller, slugger David Ortiz, and Millar, who would spend most of the season playing first base.

It was clear from their additions to a lineup that already featured Nomar Garciaparra, Manny Ramirez, Jason Varitek and Trot Nixon, that the Red Sox were placing a newfound premium on getting on base, outscoring and, if need be, out-slugging the opposition.

"The team record for runs in a season is (1,027 in 1950)," said Epstein before the sea-

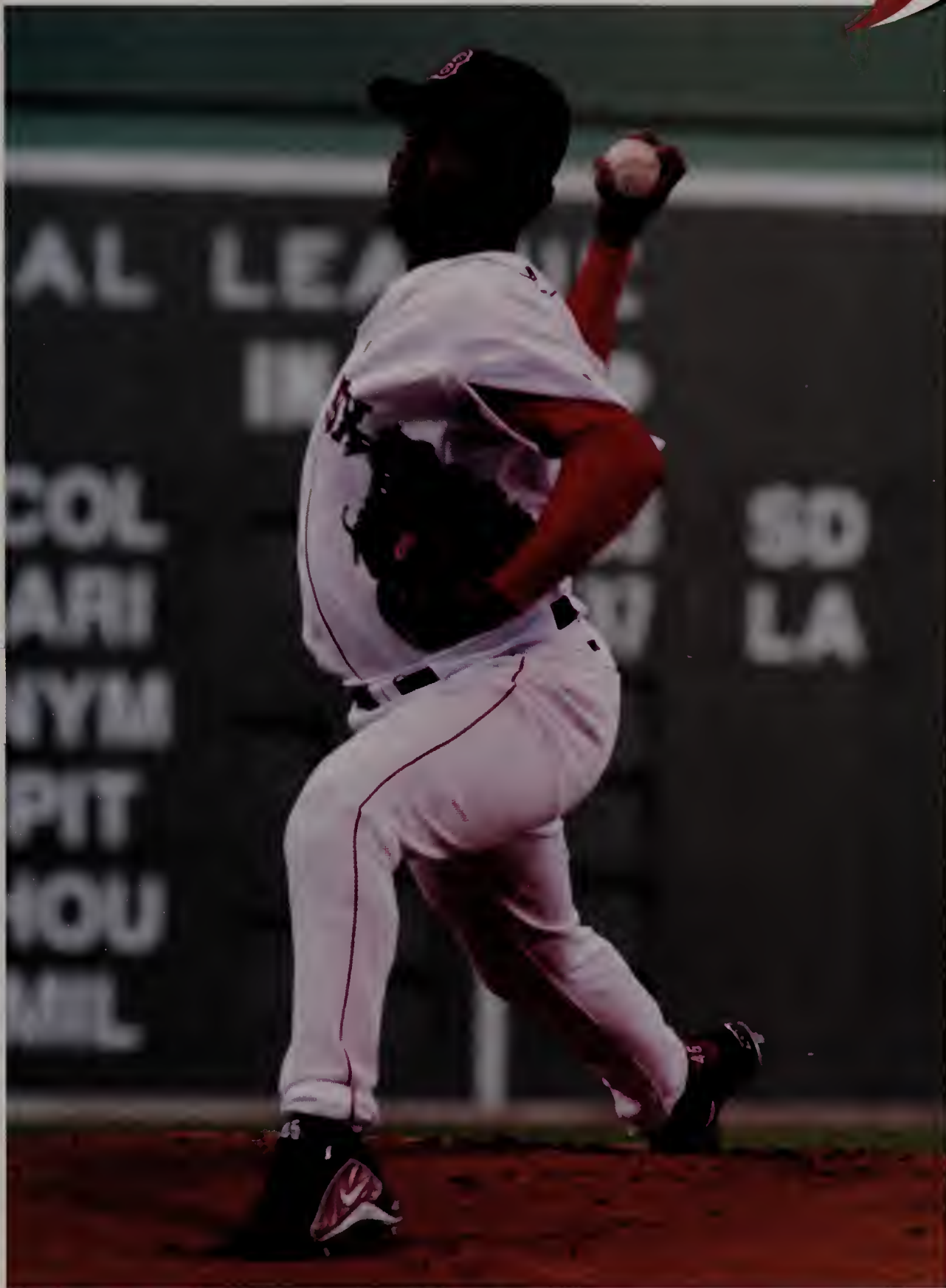


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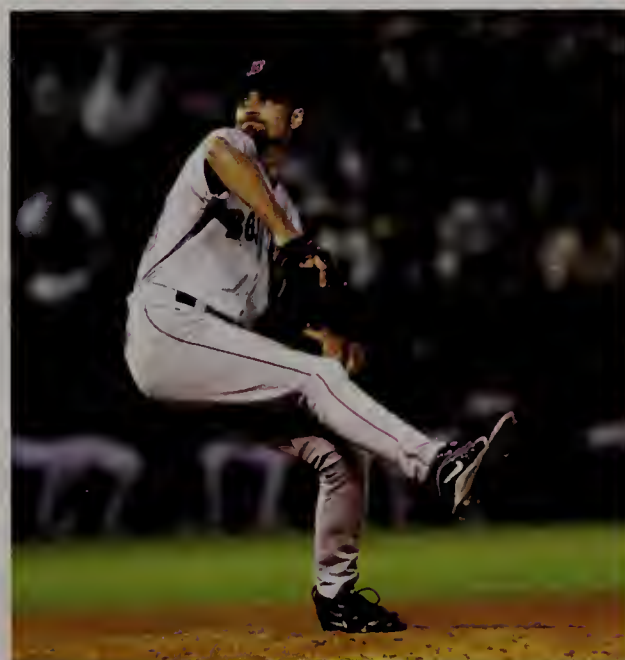


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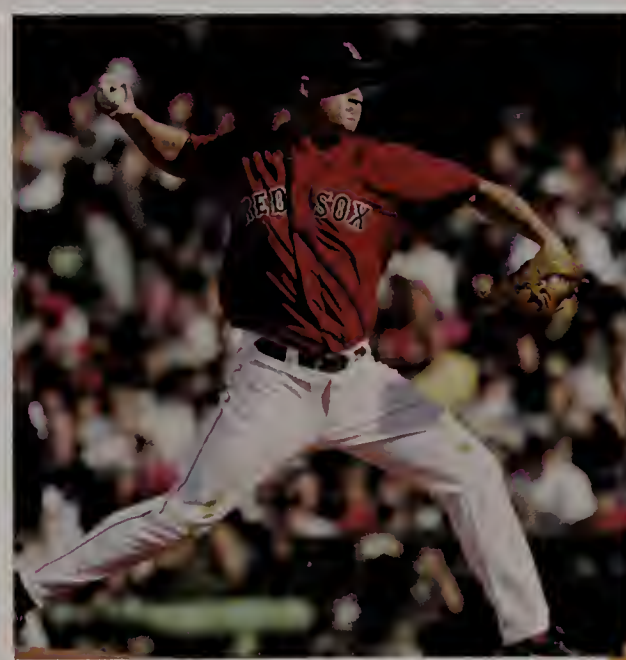


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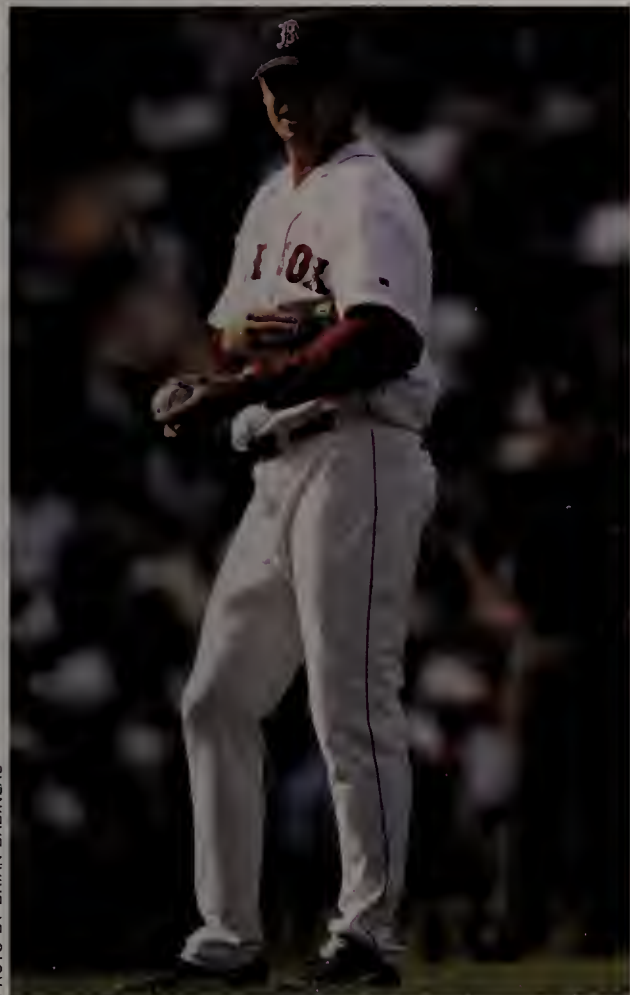


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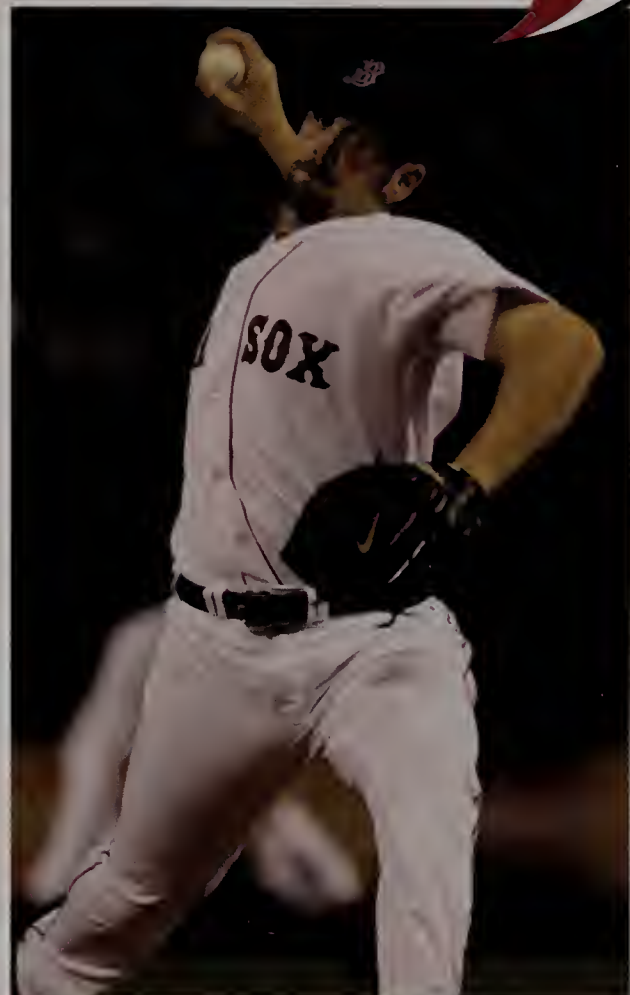


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**Clockwise: Scott Sauerbeck, Derek Lowe, Scott Williamson, Jason Varitek**



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son began. "I think this team has the potential to score a lot of runs, score at least 1,000 and make a run at that record. If we score that many runs, then I think we're going to put ourselves in good position to make the playoffs."

The Red Sox spent the next six months proving Epstein a clairvoyant.

After taking three of four from Tampa Bay in the season's opening series, the Red Sox won their fourth straight in Baltimore. Following a loss on Saturday, the team responded with a 12-2 win on Sunday and headed to Toronto for the third and final leg on the opening 10-game trip.

The Red Sox lost the first two games and were in danger of suffering a sweep when the Blue Jays cut an 8-4 deficit to 8-7 in the bottom of the ninth. But Mike Timlin recorded the final two outs, giving the Red Sox the win and a 6-4 record as they returned to Boston for the scheduled Fenway Park opener against Baltimore the next day, April 11.

However, Mother Nature was not accommodating. Heavy rains and cold temperatures forced the Red Sox to cancel and reschedule a day-night doubleheader for the next day. And while heavy rain again washed out the day game, the first game





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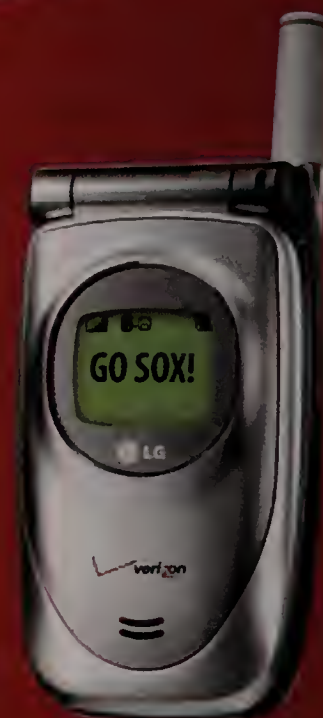


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Tim Wakefield



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Manny Ramirez

before the Fenway faithful finally took place Saturday night, April 12.

It was a home opener that star ace Pedro Martinez would rather forget. The Red Sox ace yielded nine hits and a career-high 10 earned runs as Baltimore won in a rout, 13-6. Just as the game was an aberration for Martinez, the Red Sox won the following day and began to assert themselves as one of the best home teams in baseball.

A three-game sweep of the Devil Rays followed as Boston showed the ability to win games in various ways, beating the visitors with a run in the bottom of the ninth in the first contest, a four-run eighth in the second and a 6-0 blanking in the finale.

As April drew to a close, the Red Sox had compiled an impressive 18-9 mark.

May was not as kind as the club continued to search up and down its major league and minor league rosters for answers in the

bullpen. Instead of settling for status quo, Epstein took the aggressive approach, trading from a position of strength to acquire a stopper at the back end of the pen.

On May 29, the Red Sox acquired Byung-Hyun Kim from Arizona in exchange for slugging third baseman Shea Hillenbrand. After making an initial appearance in long relief, Kim was slotted into the starting rotation to pick up the slack for the injured Martinez.

The Red Sox finished the month with a 13-14 record, the only losing month of the season, and headed into June still sporting a solid 31-23 record.

In a season of offensive fireworks, there was no greater or more brilliant display than the one that took place June 27, and the Florida Marlins happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time. That steamy Friday night at Fenway became the back-

drop for one of the greatest run scoring and offensive barrages in baseball history.

The Red Sox established a new club record for runs in the first inning with 14 and a new major league mark by scoring 10 in the first frame without a single out being recorded.

Johnny Damon, who saw his average hover around .260 for most of the first half, used the game as a catapult for the rest of the campaign. The center fielder became only the second player since 1900 to have three hits in one inning in the 14-run first (to tie another Red Sox, Gene Stephens who had three hits in one inning in 1953), falling just a homer shy of the cycle before the second inning began.

Before the onslaught was over, Boston had recorded a 25-8 rout of the Marlins, falling just shy of the single-game team record of 29 runs. Ironically, it was the 1950



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team that set the single-season runs mark that also set the single-game record on June 8 against the St. Louis Browns.

The week before the All-Star break, the Red Sox unleashed a home run barrage in Yankee Stadium. On July 4 Derek Lowe beat David Wells, 10-3, as the Red Sox became the first team to ever hit seven home runs in one game against the Yankees. The next day the Sox beat Roger Clemens, 10-2, and hit three more home runs.

The Red Sox entered the All-Star break with a 55-38 mark and led the majors in nearly every offensive category, including batting average, runs scored, on-base percentage and slugging percentage.

The team again showed the ability to bounce back in the last weekend of July. Trailing the rubber game of the three-game series with the Yankees, 3-0, and Jeff Weaver appearing in complete control for New York, the Red Sox mounted a rally in the bottom of the seventh.

With two runners aboard, Jason Varitek came to the plate and tagged a Chris Hammond fastball over the new Green Monster seats in left to tie the game at three. Damon followed by lining a pitch down the right-field line. The ball landed in the right-field seats, just to the left of the Pesky Pole for a home run, giving Boston the lead for good, 4-3. The Red Sox held on to win the game, 6-4, serving notice that they had every intention of making the AL East a two-team race to the end.

While much of the off-season focus was directed toward the acquisition of Millar, no newcomer had a bigger impact on the 2003 team than Bill Mueller. The veteran utility player, acquired in the off-season to add quality depth to the infield, hit homers from both sides of the plate in a game not once but twice, including his history-making night to remember July 29 in Arlington, Texas.

Mueller, who had already homered in the third, stepped up to the plate as a right-handed hitter in the seventh and connected for a grand slam. Just one inning later, with

**Clockwise: Nomar Garciaparra, Ramiro Mendoza, Todd Jones**





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Clockwise: Johnny Damon, Alan Embree, Doug Mirabelli, Lou Merloni

the bases again loaded and batting left-handed, Mueller drove a Jay Powell pitch to the right-field stands, becoming the first major league player in history to connect for grand slams in consecutive innings. When the night was over, Mueller had driven in nine runs, falling just one shy of tying the team single-game record as Boston rolled over the Rangers, 14-7.

As it turned out, the trade of Hillenbrand not only gave the Red Sox a pitcher who could start and close, the deal also opened the door for Mueller to show his everyday wares. What he showed was that he more than deserved a regular spot in manager Grady Little's lineup.

"Mueller isn't just a defensive specialist," said Little shortly after the trade. "This kid has shown he can hit and contribute offensively."

Having already acquired lefty specialist Scott Sauerbeck to bolster the bullpen in a July 22 trade with Pittsburgh, the Red Sox approached the July 31 trading deadline in position to make a final push for their first playoff berth in four years.

And again, Epstein showed he was



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Clockwise: Trot Nixon, David McCarty, John Burkett

ready to seize the moment. On July 29, the general manager acquired flame-throwing reliever Scott Williamson (from Cincinnati for LHP Phil Dumatrait and another minor leaguer). Then, just hours before the 4 p.m. trading deadline, Epstein added starter Jeff Suppan (from Pittsburgh for AAA Pawtucket INF Freddy Sanchez).

For Suppan, it was back to the future. The righthander, who was immediately named the club's fifth starter, began his career in the Boston organization and made his major league debut for the Red Sox in 1995 at the age of 20. In a further twist, right-handed reliever Brandon Lyon, who was dealt to the Pirates in the July 22 Sauerbeck trade, was sent back to Boston with Suppan and Anastacio Martinez for Mike Gonzalez. Williamson came to the Red Sox with an impressive resume that included the 1999 National League Rookie of the Year award with the Reds in 1999 and a team-leading 21 saves for Cincinnati in 2003.

A new Fenway Park milestone was reached in dramatic fashion on August 9 in a 6-4 win over the Orioles. With the Red Sox protecting a slim 4-3 lead, Millar came to the plate and drove a Travis Driskill pitch into the Monster seats in left. It wasn't just a two-run homer that scored Gabe Kapler and provided some valuable insurance. The blast was home run number 10,000 in the park's 91-year history, joining Yankee Stadium, Wrigley Field and Tiger Stadium as the only stadiums with 10,000 long balls within their confines.

As the pennant race entered the dog days, another Red Sox slugger acquired by Epstein in January started to yield big dividends.

David Ortiz, signed as a free agent just a week after Mueller, entered August with respectable offensive numbers. The former Seattle and Minnesota first baseman finished the season's fifth month as one of the most feared power producers in the American League.

In the 31-day span, the 27-year-old left-handed hitter belted 11 home runs and drove in 24 runs, both team highs. The DH



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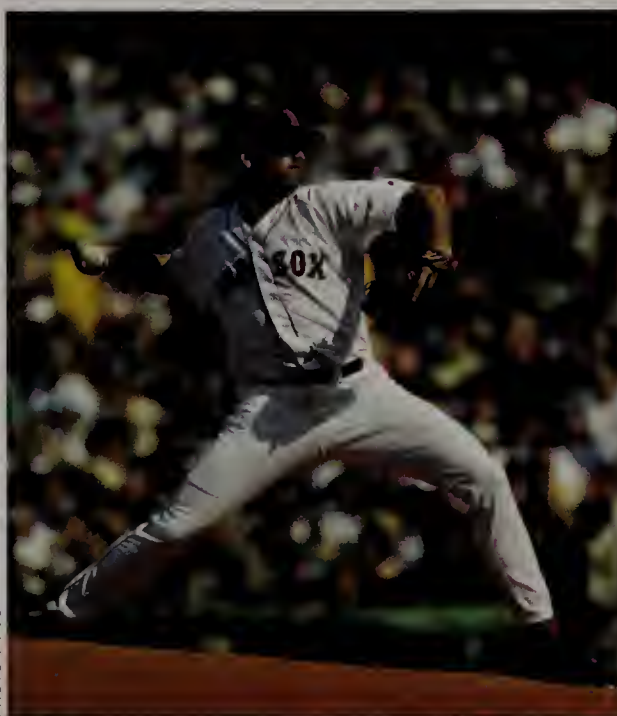


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**Clockwise: Jeff Suppan, Bronson Arroyo, Brandon Lyon**

extraordinaire was particularly deadly August 23-30, homering in six consecutive starts and seven times in eight games.

Playing without star slugger Manny Ramirez, who was out with a severe sore throat, the Red Sox finished August by losing two of three to the Yankees and fell 5-1/2 games behind New York in the AL East.

But in a roller coaster season of emotional highs and lows, the series with the Yankees only set the stage for perhaps their greatest comeback. During a seesaw make-up game in Philadelphia on Labor Day, not 24 hours after losing at home to the Yankees, the Red Sox erased three deficits, including a 9-7 hole entering the ninth, to capture a wild 13-9 victory over the Phillies.

Trot Nixon's seventh grand slam in a Red Sox uniform capped a six-run ninth as the Red Sox found new life in both the Divisional and Wild Card races.

"I think the players have shown that not too much affects them, and if it does, it's gone the next day," said Little.

Boston then captured two dramatic one-run games, sweeping a brief two-game series in Chicago against the White Sox, including a back-and-forth 5-4 triumph in the finale that featured two homers from Ortiz.

Ortiz was again at the center of a history-making moment for the 2003 Red Sox on August 25 against the Mariners. With his third-inning long ball, Ortiz became the sixth Boston player with at least 20 homers, breaking the club record of five set previously in 1940, 1977, 1979 and 1984. It came as no surprise when the Red Sox also set a new single-season team home run record, breaking the old mark of 213 in 1977.

The Red Sox went to New York for a crucial series and won the first two games, Pedro Martinez beating Andy Pettitte, 9-3, and Tim Wakefield beating Roger Clemens, 11-0, to move within a game and a half of first place.

While the new faces made immediate contributions in their first season in Boston, the Red Sox wouldn't be where they are today without typical seasons from Nomar Garciaparra, Ramirez and Martinez. Garciaparra's all-around performance again made him a leading AL MVP candidate.



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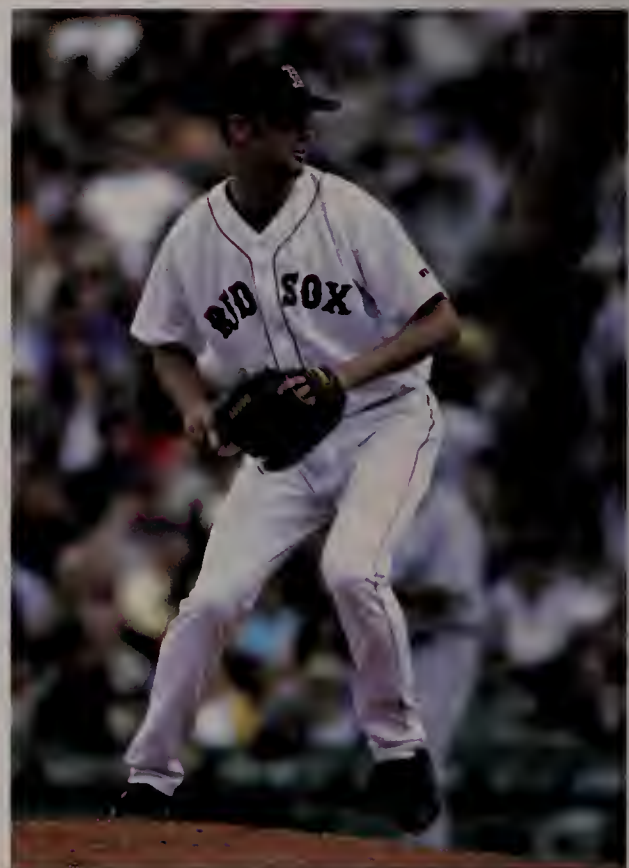


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## 2003 SEASON IN REVIEW



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And on August 20, the perennial AL All-Star shortstop became just the 15th player in team history with 1,200 hits, collecting three against Oakland. Ramirez, one of Garciparra's chief competitors for the AL MVP, again hit more homers and drove in more runs than anyone in a Red Sox uniform and Martinez posted a sub-3.00 ERA for the seventh consecutive season, including all six in Boston, and finished the campaign with a great September effort.

The starting rotation behind Martinez was arguably the most underrated aspect of the 2003 Red Sox. Derek Lowe followed up his third-place finish in the 2002 AL Cy

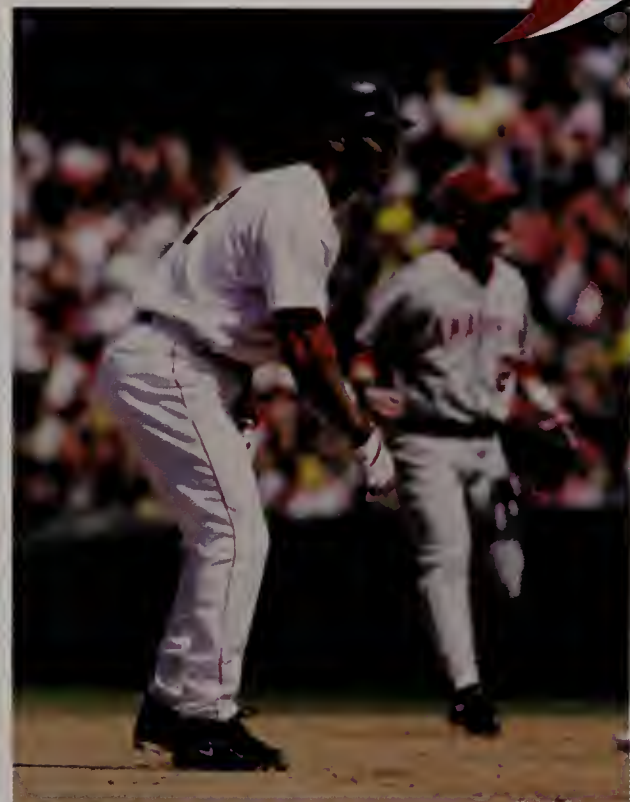


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Clockwise: Gabe Kapler, Damian Jackson, Jeremy Giambi

Young race by leading the staff in wins while veterans John Burkett and Tim Wakefield also passed the 10-win total to give Boston four 10-game winners.

On Sept. 23 the Red Sox had one of their most dramatic come-from-behind wins that epitomized the season and sent the team and a capacity crowd at Fenway Park into a frenzy. First, Todd Walker in the last of the ninth inning lined a two-out, 3-and-2 pitch, three-run home run into the Orioles' bullpen to tie the score. Then, David Ortiz led off the last of the 10th inning by slamming a towering drive into the Green Monster seats in left center-field for a 6-5 victory. Ortiz was met at home plate by the entire team for a jubilant celebration as Red Sox fans roared their approval.

On September 25 the club clinched the Wild Card playoff berth by pounding Baltimore 14-3 as Lowe got his 17th win. It was another team effort - 11 Red Sox combined for 18 hits and four pitchers held the Orioles to four hits. The 34,526 in Fenway Park stayed to the end and showed their appreciation with a long standing ovation at game's end.

Aside from the offensive numbers posted by the team, 2.7+ million fans came to Fenway Park and set a club record for the fourth consecutive year.

Resiliency - it best defines the 2003 Red Sox as they made their way into post-season play for the first time since 1999. ★



By Rod Oreste

**O**n November 25, 2002, Theo Epstein skyrocketed to the top of Red Sox Nation when he became the new general manager of the Red Sox. The media instantly anointed him “28-year-old Theo Epstein, the youngest general manager in the history of Major League Baseball.” However, the Red Sox fandom quickly realized that Epstein’s years of baseball experience outweighed his life years. Epstein has worked in Major League Baseball for 12 years in different capacities from public relations to baseball operations. He is a seasoned veteran in the baseball front office as he began his baseball career when he was much younger than most other general managers. Epstein grew up in Brookline, MA rooting for the Olde Town Team. The intense obsession that Red Sox fans have is not lost on him.

“Baseball in general is a more intense experience on the east coast than on the west coast, particularly in Boston,” explained Epstein. “In California, we’d have to give away t-shirts in order for people to show up to the games. It was more of a pastime over there. In Boston, the Red Sox are a way of life.”

“The thing I remember most after being named GM was that as an organization we had so much to do in the off-season and so little time,” recalled Epstein. “We had organizational meetings a week later and the winter meetings shortly after.” Epstein and his staff had to draft a plan and gather information on which players would best fit the 2003 Red Sox. He had to identify in a matter of weeks where the Red Sox needed to improve and what type of player would help achieve the team’s ultimate goal of winning the World Series. With only three months to prepare for spring training, Epstein had little time to relish in his great accomplishment. With all the media hype from being named the Red Sox general manager, Epstein had to juggle the high-demand for interviews from the media with his primary responsibility of fielding a competitive team for the fast-approaching season.

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# THEO EPSTEIN

## In First Year at Helm, Sox GM Takes His Team into the Post-Season





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**In Epstein's first year as general manager, he has designed arguably one of the best-hitting Red Sox teams in club history.**



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Epstein's baseball operations team played a large role in supporting him and staying on track with the team. "It was very much a blur," said Epstein. "The thing that kept us really focused was we had a vision for the composition of the 2003 roster, and we identified different areas we weren't willing to sacrifice to make it happen."

Epstein has no lack of baseball experience on his staff. He has three former general managers under him who all have at least 30 years in baseball. Red Sox Vice-

President of Baseball Operations Mike Port, who served as the Red Sox interim GM last season, also served as general manager of the California Angels and was the architect of the 1986 team that played the Red Sox in the American League Championship. Port has over 30 years of baseball experience.

Special Assistants to the General Manager Bill Lajoie and Lee Thomas also bring many years of baseball knowledge and scouting experience to the Red Sox

baseball operations team. Lajoie has been in baseball for over 48 years and was also a general manager with the Detroit Tigers for several years. Detroit won the 1984 World Series in Lajoie's first year as GM. Thomas was the general manager with the Philadelphia Phillies and won the N.L. pennant in 1993.

The baseball operations department's scouting and general manager experience is supplemented by relatively new statistical information. New statistics such as



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OPS (On-base plus slugging) are being used in player evaluations to support scouting analysis. "I have very successful former general managers on my staff who are great evaluators and great eyes for talent," said Epstein. "And that's kind of balanced off with people who are from outside the baseball establishment. They look at the game from a sort of inquisitive perspective."

Epstein's staff is comprised of people from traditional and non-traditional baseball philosophies designed to balance each other out. "Most of the time, the information blended well together and when it didn't, we were able to create an environment for healthy discourse. We learned a lot about the situations we were involved in and the players we were going after by talking about it."

In Epstein's first year as general manager for the Boston Red Sox, he has designed arguably one of the best-hitting Red Sox teams in club history. He acquired key ballplayers such as Bill Mueller, Kevin Millar, David Ortiz and Todd Walker to strengthen the Red Sox lineup for the 2003 season. All of them became major threats in the potent Red Sox offense this season.

During the season, Epstein traded away All-Star third baseman Shea



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player. We knew he'd get on base. We knew he'd play great defense. He's a gamer and a great guy to have on your team. What we didn't know is that he would have the extra-base pop he did this season." Mueller's average stayed around .330 the final month and he won the A.L. batting title with a .326 mark just ahead of teammate Ramirez (.325).

Epstein also traded prospects for pitchers Scott Williamson, Scott Sauerbeck and



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Hillenbrand in an effort to solidify the bullpen by adding closer Byung-Hyun Kim to the Red Sox arsenal. "We knew we wanted to trade Shea for pitching," said Epstein. "We also knew we wanted Bill Mueller to be our regular third baseman." Mueller is probably the greatest surprise of the season as he had a career year in his first season with Boston. "The biggest surprise has been his extra-base power," Epstein said of his starting third baseman. "We knew we were getting a really good

Jeff Suppan to bolster the pitching staff for the playoff run. Epstein and his team of experts researched numerous possibilities to improve the team. "We constantly juggled our short-term and long-term interests to achieve our goals," he said. "The best moves that we've made make sense from the objective, statistical perspective and the subjective, scouting perspective."

Epstein and his baseball operations team have brought the Sox back to the playoffs after a four-year drought. His

almost constant retooling and refining of the ball club before and during the 2003 season was a testament to his work ethic and that of his advisors and research team.

"I'm very fortunate to be surrounded by a number of great baseball people," said Epstein. "What makes them so valuable to me is that they come from different baseball backgrounds." Epstein's advisory team was a blend of old school scouting with new school statistical analysis.

In the end, Epstein and his staff have made the right decisions to give the Red Sox a competitive edge in the playoffs. The team is equally prepared and poised to make a run for the World Series championship. Through good research and scouting in the Red Sox front office, the baseball operations staff has built a fiercely competitive and exciting playoff team. Now it's in the team's hands to get the job done on the field and bring the World Series back to Fenway Park and their faithful fans. ★



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# Fenway Park

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## FENWAY PARK



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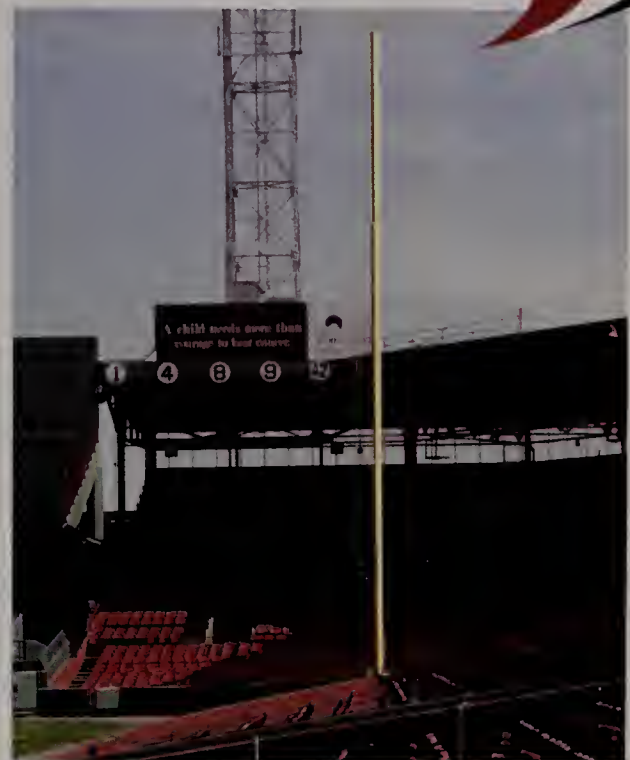


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## Fenway is perhaps the single spot in Boston where a family can visit and the moment is forever married to memory.

acclaimed. There is a strong institutional memory here that guarantees nothing will be forgotten; neither Roger Clemens nor Roger LaFrancois.

And no player and no moment in time ever get the death sentence at Fenway Park. All of it - the joy, heartache, regret, anger, exhaustion, the highs, the lows, resignation, acceptance and anticipation - has a separate life that flourishes in the little Basilica of the Back Bay.

For example, sitting on the third-base side, I still have the occasional flashback, seeing Graig Nettles settle in under a foul ball off the bat of "The Captain" - Carl Yastrzemski - for the final out in a marvelous playoff game on a perfect Indian summer afternoon in 1978. I see Yaz, later in the locker room, cigarette in hand, eyes moist, talking to Ned Martin, the late, great broadcaster.

"Yaz," Ned is saying. "You're the guy I wanted up then."

"Ned," Yaz tells him. "I wanted to be up."

It's only yesterday. Then, I walk over to Section 16 or down toward Box 31. Shut your eyes and in the mind's eye, Number 27, New England's own, has hit a ball that is disappearing into the smoky October night. His arms are straight up in the air, his feet off the ground as Carlton Fisk along with the rest of Red Sox Nation applies enough body

English to send Pete Rose and the Reds back to the hotel for one last time before winter arrived early in 1975.

At dusk, the following day, I stood along the third-base line hours before the 7th game and asked Rose what emotion he felt as Fisk's ball hit the foul pole: "That I was lucky to have been here for the greatest game I ever played in," he told me.

But playoff and series games are merely the frosting on a cake served up 81 days a year. And while it is true that corporate titans, celebrities, politicians and too many baseball know-nothings too often take up space when the curtain rises in October, the stage is there for millions of ordinary folks the rest of the year.

Of course, part of the mystique is that, in ways both mysterious and predictable, the ballpark reflects the personality of the town itself. Fenway isn't the Hancock Tower - all glass and reflective. It isn't a four-star hotel or a chic Back Bay restaurant. It is indeed a neighborhood, one of many small islands scattered across a little big town called Boston. It is quirky, angled, provincial and proud. It is the ultimate Green Line with chalk stripes along first and third. It is a subway car where the jostling and pushing move patrons up a ramp rather than through turnstiles, and the ride lasts across an entire season with occasional stops between Depression and Optimism. It is a place



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**H**ave you ever taken your kids back to see the neighborhood where you grew up? Walked the block where you learned to ride a bike, played catch for the first time, got into your first fist fight with someone you can no longer remember over something long forgotten? Watched as their eyes widened over the circumstances of your youth?

Well, that's a huge part of what Fenway Park represents. And has always represented: the marriage of a single past moment - or many moments - to memory.

The ballpark is like a neighborhood. It has different sections, each with a unique feel and view. And, the neighbors? Those who have come, gone and remain today? Well, Fenway is the only place where Ted Williams is as alive as John Burkett.

That's because both the legend and the journeyman are part of a daily parochial conversation. Plus, age doesn't matter at Fenway; there's always someone standing ahead of you in line or sitting in front of you during the game who has been here to see both the arcane as well as the

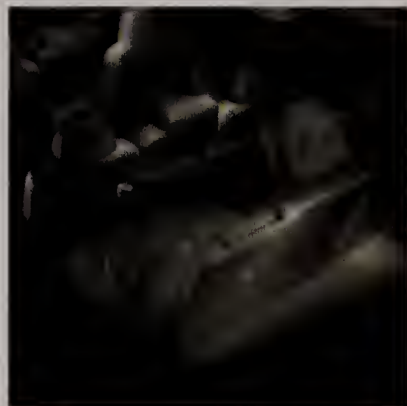


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It's perhaps the single spot in Boston where a family can visit and the moment is forever married to memory. Sure, there are the usual haunts, bookends of history; the Freedom Trail, JFK Library, the Swan Boats, the Charles, Old Ironsides and a long litany of urban treasure.

But Fenway is the ultimate postcard. Especially in an age when our culture has managed to produce a series of spin-offs that lend an aura of forgetfulness to nearly everything: hotel rooms, restaurants, airports, TV series, shopping malls all contain a cookie-cutter anonymity that relegate them to the margins.

Not Fenway Park though. It is arguably one of the three most famous forums where baseball is played. All newer editions were designed with an architect's eye on the tiny footprint between Lansdowne Street and Yawkey Way, like stepchildren of the more famous parent with the big green wall and box seats closer to the batter's box than the pitcher is as he stands on the mound.



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It is a place, Fenway Park is, where more general managers gather on a nightly basis than you'll find at Major League Baseball's annual meetings. Everyone is in charge here; all 34,000 fans have a daily opinion, a view and a voice. There is as much analysis and scouting in the bleachers and the left-field grandstand as there is behind home plate where Theo Epstein sits, or in the dugout where Grady Little knows his line-up and bullpen moves are fodder for dissection by the thousands of bosses who fill the ballpark.

But above all, Fenway Park is a place where nothing ever disappears in the rear-view mirror. I can still see Billy Goodman at second, Dominic DiMaggio in center, Piersall, Sammy White and Number 9. They are on the same field, wearing the same uniform, as Yaz, Zim, Mike Andrews, Rico, Dewey, Tom Brunansky, Matt Batts, Mo, Nomar, Johnny Damon, Varitek and all the others who comprise a roster made up by memory's firm hold and hand.

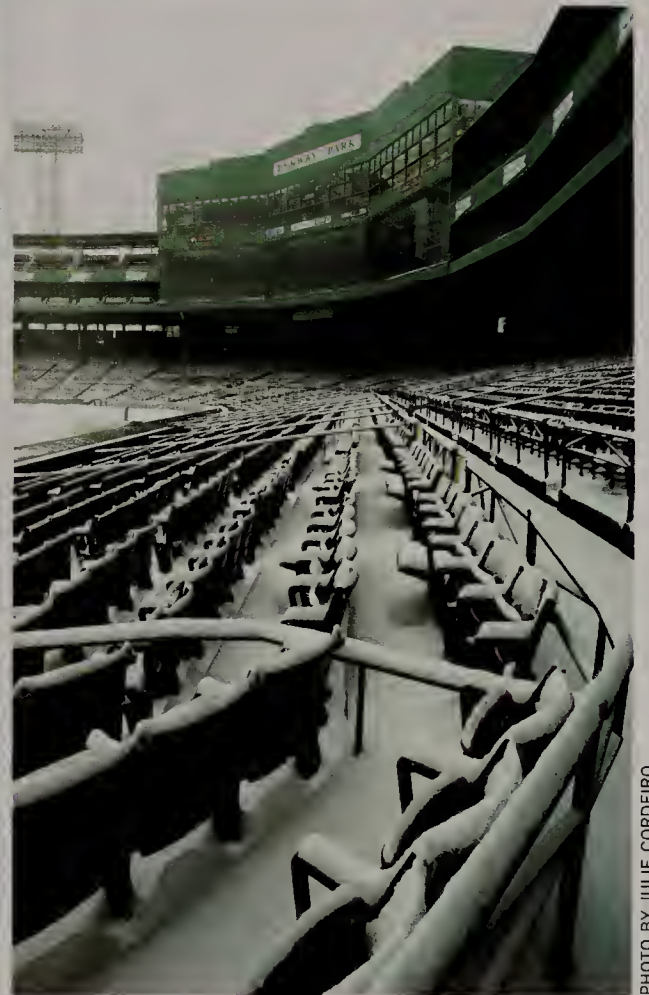


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It's baseball's best neighborhood. It's a zip code that sits beyond the assaults of time. It's an address where - if only for a few innings on a single spectacular evening - it can seem as if everybody knows your name because you are all together in the emotional capitol of Red Sox Nation, murmuring the same shared sentiment: That, this is the year! ★

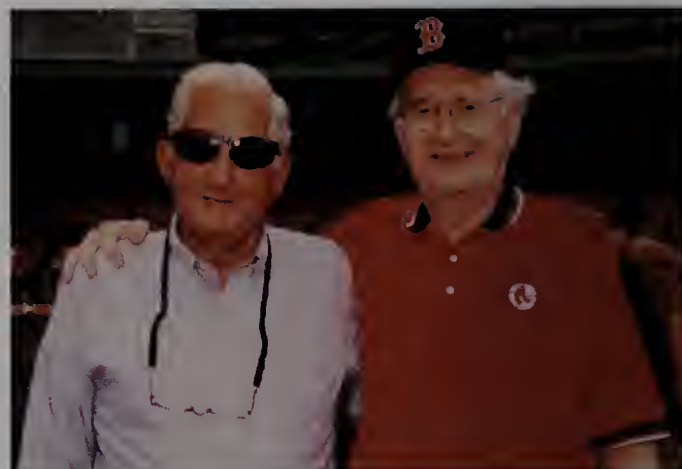


# The Carl Yastrzemski Fenway Park Tryouts

The Carl Yastrzemski Fenway Park Tryouts to benefit the Genesis Fund was held on August 13 at Fenway Park. The Genesis Fund, founded by Dr. Murray Feingold in 1982, is a nonprofit organization that raises money for the specialized care and treatment of New England-area children born with birth defects and genetic diseases. The youngsters received one-on-one instructions from former Red Sox including Carl Yastrzemski, Rico Petrocelli, Ted Lepcio, Jerry Moses, Walt Hriniak, Luis Tiant, Joe Morgan, Marc Sullivan and Dan Duquette. Photos by Jack Maley.



Former longtime Red Sox teammates of two pennant-winning teams in 1967 and 1975, Carl Yastrzemski and Rico Petrocelli.



Dr. Murray Feingold and local personality and event emcee Dick Flavin.



Former Sox Luis Tiant and Ted Lepcio posed with the day's lineup in the bullpen.



One-time Red Sox hitting coach Walt Hriniak stepped up to the plate with some batting directives for this youngster.



Jerry Moses and Rico Petrocelli with new friend Mike.



Yaz with some young autograph seekers.



Former Sox catcher Marc Sullivan stopped by and joined Moses, Hriniak and Yaz for a photo op.



## Taxicab Drivers Visit Fenway Park

On August 11, Boston taxicab drivers were invited to Fenway Park for a tour of the ballpark, treated to a lunch in the .406 Club and addressed by Red Sox President and CEO Larry Lucchino. Dr. Charles Steinberg is seen here showing the drivers Fenway's newest attraction, The Big Concourse. The event was held to educate the drivers on the ballpark's offerings and to better assist them in their jobs of informing passengers about Fenway Park. Photo by Jack Maley.



## The Boss in Boston



On September 6 and 7 Bruce Springsteen and his E Street Band performed the first-ever rock concert at Fenway Park. The successful showings were preceded with days of set-up as the ballpark underwent some necessary transformations to stage the spectacular events. To make The Boss feel welcome, Boston Mayor Tom Menino held a press conference on Yawkey Way on September 5 to unveil some apropos street signage. Photos by Cindy Loo.

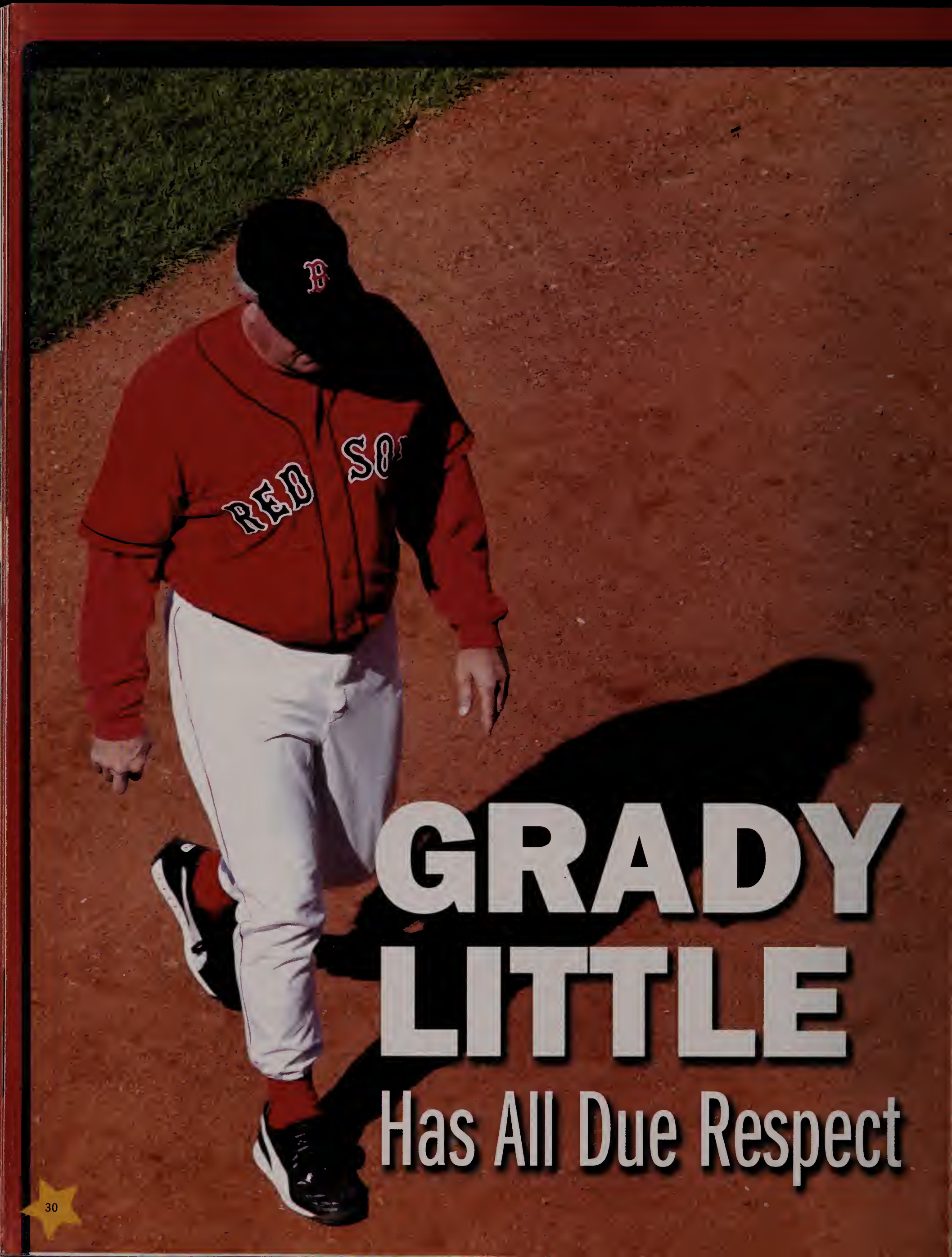


## Big Hits on the Big Screen



Not to be confused with the real thing, but The Showcase Cinemas in Randolph took on the look of Fenway Park and the surrounding neighborhood as they hosted 360 sweepstakes winners/baseball fans to a night of Red Sox-Yankee baseball September 5. Some lucky fans won exciting prizes in between innings including the biggest prize of all - a Red Sox 9-3 win vs. the Bronx Bombers. Photos by Cindy Loo.





# GRADY LITTLE

Has All Due Respect



by Garry Brown  
Springfield Republican

**W**hy Grady Little? Why a long-time minor leaguer as manager of the Red Sox? Why him for one of the toughest jobs in all of professional sports?

Fans of the Olde Towne Team had a right to ask those questions back in early March of 2002 when Little was chosen by the organization's new owners to serve as the successor to Joe Kerrigan.

Why Grady Little? Because he was exactly right for this team at that time. He gave the Red Sox a new face, while at the same time providing a valuable link to their recent past.

Little fit so well into the Red Sox scheme that he easily survived the transition when Theo Epstein moved into the general manager's job last November.

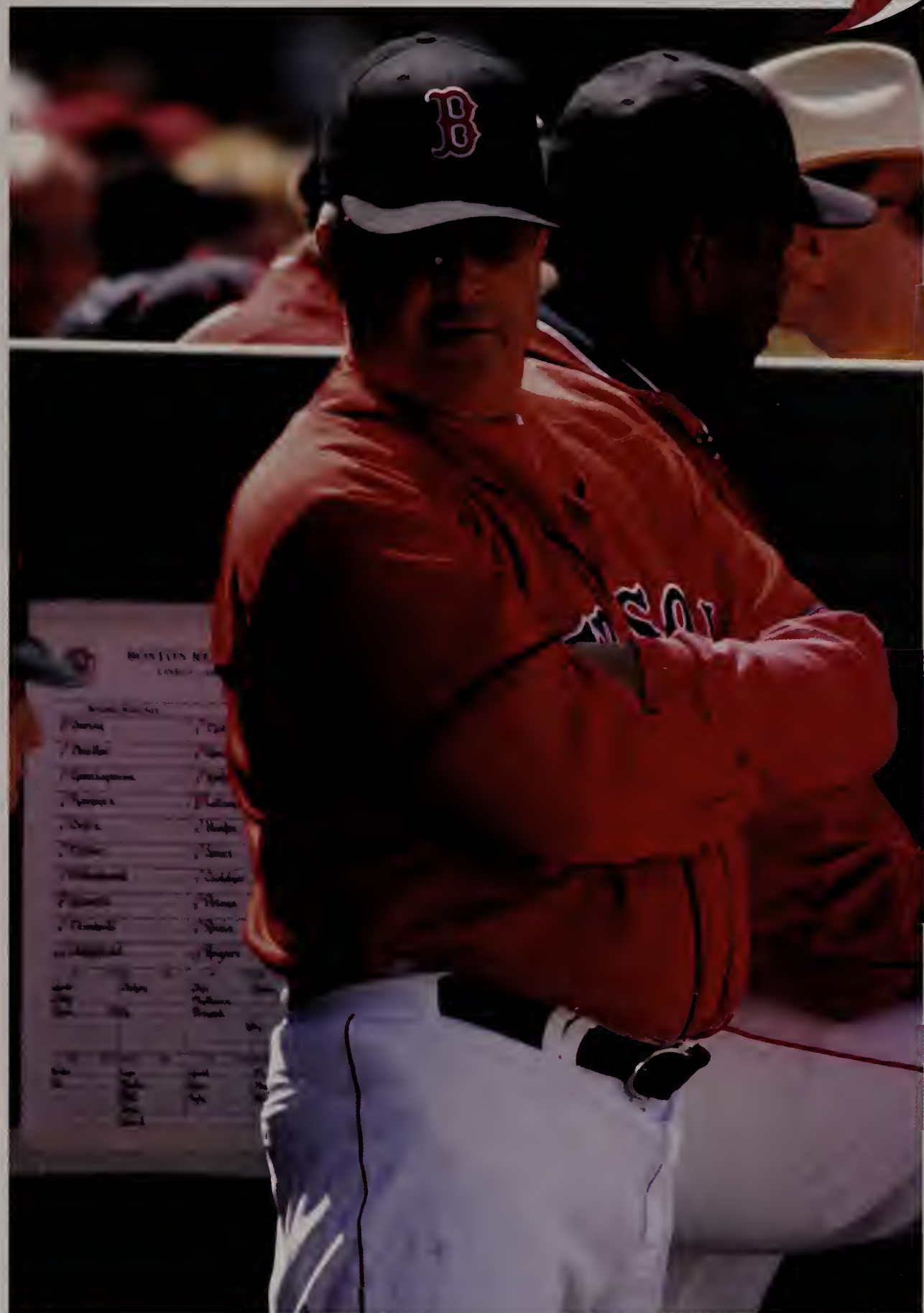
At his first press conference, Epstein said, "I spoke with Grady last night. I reiterated to him that he is the manager, and I told him I hope we can make each other look good."

The hope expressed by the general manager that day has turned into shining reality. With Epstein retooling the roster and Little keeping the team focused and together, the Red Sox have made it to the post-season. They'll be shooting for their first American League pennant since 1986 and their first world championship since 1918 - two years before You-Know-Who became a Yankee.

Little was right for the job in 2002 and he's right for it now because he has the built-in respect of his players. At the start, respect came mainly because of his 1997-99 tour as a Red Sox bench coach, when he had the opportunity to work with some of the team's current stars - Pedro Martinez, Nomar Garciaparra, Jason Varitek, Tim Wakefield, Derek Lowe. Respect also came easily because of his 16 years as a minor league manager. His players knew that he has been through it all, seen it all.

In the 2003 season, the Red Sox manager continued to show an ability to keep the team on track, especially at times when difficult defeats came along.

"I think everyone knows by now how this team reacts to a tough loss. Those hurt,



but you put them aside and get ready to win the next day. We're resilient - that's our approach," he would say.

Little has the ideal personality for the Red Sox job, which may be one of the toughest in professional sports.

Oh, he made some mistakes in his first season. He admits it, saying, "I learned a lot. There are some things I'll do differently the next time around. Being part of the organization's off-season planning, and being with the team from Day One of spring training will be helpful to me, as well."

How right he was. With Epstein constantly in touch with him about the team's needs, the Red Sox roster was upgraded many times.

"The players we have this season are well suited for our situation," Little said. "They have the kind of physical and mental makeup it takes to play for the Boston Red Sox. We have offensive players who know how to use The Wall. They also understand that the fans in Fenway Park expect a lot from them, and they respond well."

Little's transition into the Red Sox job,





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All Grady asks is that everybody be ready to play, and play hard. Hey, that's what our fans expect, too.

## PROFILE: GRADY LITTLE

- Born: March 3, 1950, Abilene, Tex.
- Raised: Charlotte, N.C.
- Height/weight: 5-11, 190.
- Bats/throws: R-R.
- Playing career: Drafted No. 12 by Atlanta Braves out of Garinger High School . . . played 167 games in six minor league seasons as catcher.
- Minor league experience: Five years managing in Baltimore organization, one year with Toronto, 10 years with Braves. Had 1,054-903 record, plus 22-15 in playoffs. Selected for four "manager of the year" awards.
- Major league experience: Bench coach with San Diego Padres, 1996 . . . bench coach with Boston Red Sox, 1997-99 . . . bench coach with Cleveland Indians, 2000-01.



his first managerial opportunity at the major league level, was made easier because he knows Boston, and he knows how aggressive the Red Sox press corps can be. He has been able to handle that, partly because of his down-home style, and partly because he knows it's never going to be easy.

"Grady is a long-time baseball man, a hard worker and a great person. He deserves this opportunity," said Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek on the day Little was hired. Varitek's assessment of his manager has not changed.

"All he asks is that everybody be ready to play, and play hard. Hey, that's what our fans expect, too. When you play here, you run out everything and hustle all the time. That's what they expect, and that's the way it should be."

Little was able to defuse the "Team Turmoil" image which the Red Sox had in 2001, simply by being himself. What you see with Grady Little is what you get. He's no pretender. He's just a straight-forward baseball guy, in love with the game and thoroughly thrilled by his chance to manage one of its glamor teams.

Little's first Red Sox ball club spent most of the 2002 season some 20 games over .500, but even that wasn't good enough for a playoff spot.

"I can say this - our club went out there and played hard right to the finish, but nobody was satisfied with the end result. We felt we were good enough to be a playoff team," he said.



The Red Sox went into the 2003 season with high expectations again, and this time they delivered, with the help of considerable tinkering with the bullpen.

Given the struggles of his relievers right up to the trading deadline, Little did an outstanding job of handling his relief corps. He did that mainly by being steadfast in his decision to go with 12 pitchers. Although that left him short on the bench, it proved to be a wise decision over the long haul.

Even with his short bench, Little got the most out of it. Players like Doug





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Mirabelli, Damian Jackson, Gabe Kapler and David McCarty responded well when called upon by their manager. Then, when the bench could be bolstered even more later in the season, Little made good use of Framingham's Lou Merloni, whom he called "a player who can fill a lot of spots for us."

Little had to make a difficult adjustment when the Red Sox lost the services of his trusted aide, pitching coach Tony Cloninger. Because he was forced to deal with bladder cancer, Cloninger had to leave the team for extended periods. The Sox brought in Dave Wallace as a second pitching coach, and Little was able to work well with him.

Little, 53, is the 43rd manager of the Red Sox and only the second to assume control during spring training. The first was pitcher Cy Young, who was asked to take over the team March 28, 1907, after manager Chick Stahl committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid.

Larry Lucchino, who serves as club president in the Red Sox hierarchy, had

much to do with the selection of Little. They have known each other since the 1980s, when Lucchino was vice-president/general counsel for the Baltimore Orioles. Little served as a minor league manager in the Baltimore system from 1980 through '84.

They were together again in 1996, when Lucchino served as CEO of the San Diego Padres. Little got his first major league job as bench coach for a team which went on to win the National League West title.

Little was born in Abilene, TX, and raised in Charlotte, NC. The Atlanta Braves drafted him in the 12th round as a catcher after his graduation from Garinger High School. He caught for six minor league seasons, but his .207 career average caused him to consider managing as a way to stay in the game.

After his five years with the Orioles, he spent one season as a Class A manager in the Toronto system. In 1986, he moved into the Atlanta system and managed at all minor league levels through 1995. During those years, Little worked with many of the players

who would help the Braves become the dominant team in the National League East throughout the '90s.

He won four "manager of the year awards." His 1992 Greenville Braves of the Double A Southern League won 100 games over a 143-game schedule, then took the playoff championship with six more victories.

The new Red Sox owners said at the start of their managerial search that they wanted someone with experience. Little certainly qualified. In his minor league career, he managed 1,994 games. He had a 1,054-903 record plus a 22-15 in post-season play. His teams finished first eight times and won four playoff championships.

Without question, this mix of managerial experience and success together comprised the right formula for a post-season run in 2003. ★



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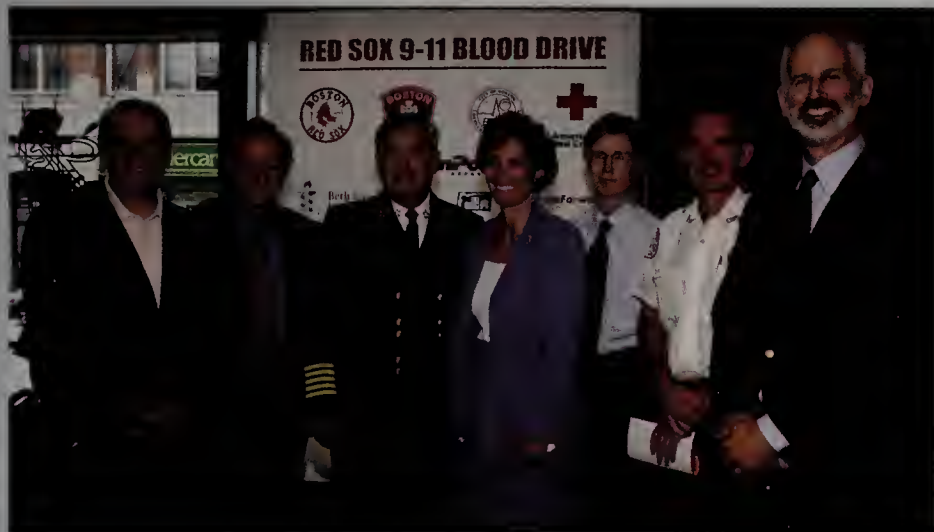
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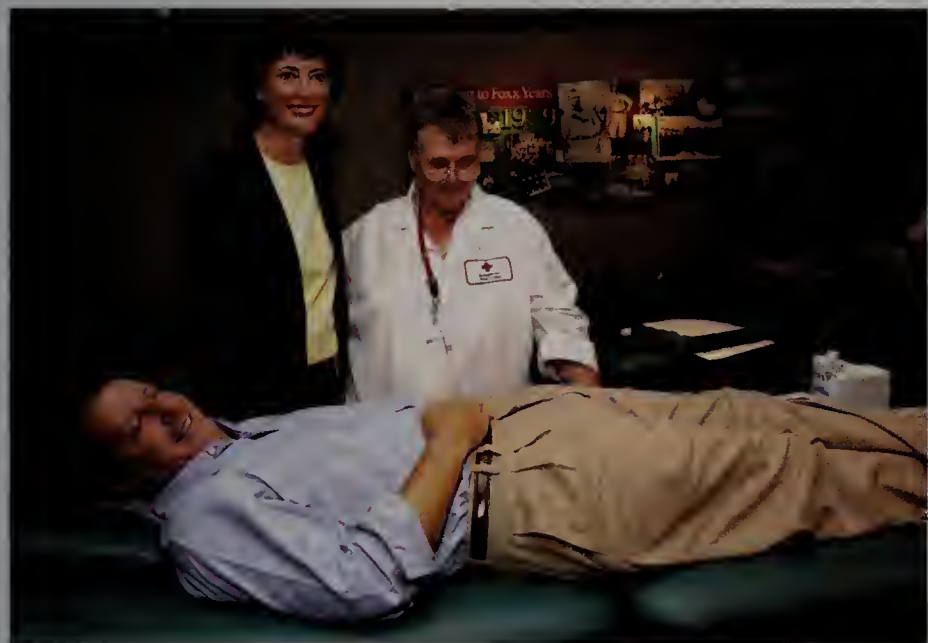
## Blood Drive Press Conference

The Red Sox held a press conference on August 28 to announce the September 11 blood drive at Fenway Park in partnership with the American Red Cross and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. The Boston Police Dept., the Boston Fire Dept., Boston Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Gillette also sponsored the event to take place from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the .406 Club and the Red Sox Hall of Fame Club. The significance of the date was reinforced by Red Sox President and CEO Larry Lucchino.

"While September 11 will forever be a day to reflect on one of the saddest hours in our nation's history, it will also go down as a day that helped define the American spirit," Lucchino said. "The spirit of generosity, the desire to help others in need and the commitment to making our neighborhoods, our cities and our country a better place to live make September 11 an appropriate day for this event. We hope that all of Red Sox Nation will support this important effort."



Red Sox President/CEO Larry Lucchino, Boston Police Dept. Commissioner Paul Evans, Boston Fire Department Commissioner Paul Christian, Red Cross New England Region CEO Dr. Mary O'Neill, Red Sox Principal Owner John Henry, Boston EMS Department Superintendent in Chief James Hooley and Beth Israel Deaconess CEO Paul Levy. Photo by Cindy Loo.



Red Sox Chairman Tom Werner was among the hundreds who donated blood during the September 11 Blood Drive at Fenway Park. Red Cross New England Region CEO Dr. Mary O'Neill was on hand with Red Cross workers assisting in the cause. The Red Sox and their partners set a goal of 200 pints to be donated at the event and realized close to 350 as 1,843 people came to Fenway to participate in the drive. Photo by Julie Cordeiro.

## Red Sox Scholars



Before the Red Sox-Devil Rays game on September 16, the Red Sox announced the first class of "Red Sox Scholars" in a pre-game, on-field ceremony at Fenway Park. Twenty-five sixth grade students, who are academically talented and financially challenged, were selected to receive a \$5,000 college

scholarship from the Red Sox Foundation. The children, who are scheduled to begin college in 2010, all attend Boston Public Schools and are graduates of BELL (Building Educated Leaders for Life), an academic enrichment program for elementary school students created by Earl Phelan and chaired by Professor Charles Ogletree of Harvard Law School. They were selected by a panel representing the Red Sox, BELL, presenting sponsor Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and the Boston Public Schools, whose superintendent, Dr. Thomas Payzant, has been an active contributor to the creation of the program.

The scholarships are payable to the college of each student's choice for tuition and books. The Red Sox will provide interactive educational and social activities for the children, including Shadow Days in the Red Sox offices and time spent with past and present players. Beth Israel Deaconess will provide each student a mentor who is a health care professional or in medical administration. BIDMC will also provide career information, Shadow Days and other services for the students.



Harrison Maiden, escorted by Manny Ramirez and Paul Levy/CEO of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Photo by Julie Cordeiro.



# 2003 RED SOX BROADCASTERS

**THE RED SOX RADIO NETWORK** will carry every game with Joe Castiglione and Jerry Trupiano handling the play-by-play. Sports Radio 850 WEEI-AM in Boston is the 50,000-watt flagship station for a network of 59 stations throughout the New England Area.



Trupiano is in his 11th season on Red Sox radio and Castiglione has returned for his 21st season in the broadcast booth. Trup, a St. Louis native, who has also broadcast baseball for the Houston Astros (1985-86) and Montreal Expos (1989-90), also hosted a talk show for 14 years in Houston. Joe, from Hampden, CT, has taught a broadcast journalism course at Northeastern University for many years as well as at Franklin Pierce College.

Now more than ever, **NESN** is your ticket to Red Sox baseball with coverage of up to 151 games this season for fans living outside the Boston DMA (TV market). Inside the Boston DMA, NESN is scheduled to air 123 games this season with UPN 38 and WBZ 4 scheduled to carry 28 games including every Friday night game.

For the convenience of its viewers, NESN will continue the practice of re-broadcasting most of its games, usual-



In the broadcast booth for NESN is Don Orsillo and former Red Sox 2B Jerry Remy teaming up for their third season together. Don, originally from Melrose, MA, also announced Pawtucket Red Sox games on radio from 1996-2000. Somerset, MA native Jerry, is in his 16th season supplying the color commentary for NESN. When the Sox are on UPN 38 or WBZ 4, 15-year Sox veteran announcer Sean McDonough will join Remy in the booth to call the action.

ly at midnight and then again at noon the next afternoon.

NESN will once again provide complete coverage of the Red Sox with the network's half-hour pre-game show *The Boston Globe Pre-Game Report* and the popular post-game show *W.B. Mason Extra Innings*.

Bob Rodgers is in his eighth season as NESN's Red Sox studio host. He will be joined by a rotating group of all-star analysts that include former major league pitchers Bob Tewksbury and Dennis Eckersley, Red Sox Hall of Famer Jim Rice and former Sox 1B Sam Horn.

Rounding out the NESN team of Red Sox broadcasters will be Tom Caron, who returns to deliver pre- and post-game interviews plus live reports from the stands during the game.



(Top Row) Tewksbury, Rodgers, Eckersley and Caron;  
(Bottom Row) Rice; Horn



**THE SPANISH BEISBOL NETWORK** is in its third season covering Red Sox baseball and will broadcast every game of the Red Sox season in Spanish to nine affiliates in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island.



J.P. Villaman (right) has returned for his sixth season as the play-by-play announcer on Red Sox Spanish Radio and has been joined by newcomer Uri Berenguer. Villaman, a local sports talk show host was the winner of the "Circulo Dorado" this year, an award given for excellence. Berenguer, a former Jimmy Fund patient, is the nephew of former major league pitcher Juan Berenguer.



Red Sox Hall of Fame pitcher Luis Tiant, a veteran of 19 big league seasons, eight with the Sox, has returned this season to the Spanish Radio booth.

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City	Station	Frequency
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Franklin	WFTN	1240 AM
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Portsmouth	WGIP	1540 AM

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Rutland	WSYB	1380 AM
Newport	WIKE	1490 AM
Springfield	WNBX	1480 AM

**SPANISH RADIO  
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City	Station	Frequency
<b>Massachusetts</b>		
**Lynn	WROL	950 AM
Brockton	WMSX	1410 AM
Framingham	WKOX	1200 AM
Lawrence	WNNW	800 AM
Worcester	WORC	1310 AM
Webster	WGFP	940 AM

<b>Connecticut</b>		
Hartford	WPRX	1120 AM
Waterbury	WFNW	1380 AM

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First Baseman .....3	Shortstop .....6	Right Fielder .....9

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Single.....	Fielder's Choice ...FC	Passed Ball .....PB
Double.....	Hit by Pitcher .....HP	Balk .....BK
Triple.....	Wild Pitch .....WP	Struck Out .....K
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- Fly ball striking left-center-field wall to left of line behind flagpole and bounding into screen: 2 Bases.
- Fly ball striking wall or flagpole and bounding into bleachers: Home Run.
- Fly ball striking line or right of same on wall in right center: Home Run.
- Fly ball striking wall left of line and bounding into bullpen: 2 Bases.
- Ball sticking in bullpen screen or bouncing into bullpen: 2 Bases.
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RED SOX IN THE DIVISION SERIES

YEAR	OPPONENT	WINNER	GAMES	RED SOX LEADING HITTER
1995	Cleveland Indians	Indians	3-0	Luis Alicea .600 (6-10)
1998	Cleveland Indians	Indians	3-1	John Valentin .467 (7-15)
1999	Cleveland Indians	Red Sox	3-2	Mike Stanley .500 (10-20)

RED SOX IN THE ALCS

YEAR	OPPONENT	WINNER	GAMES	RED SOX LEADING HITTER
1975	Oakland Athletics	Red Sox	3-0	Carl Yastrzemski .455 (5-11)
1986	California Angels	Red Sox	4-3	Spike Owen .429 (9-21)
1988	Oakland Athletics	Athletics	4-0	Wade Boggs .385 (5-13)
1990	Oakland Athletics	Athletics	4-0	Wade Boggs .438 (7-16)
1999	New York Yankees	Yankees	4-1	Jose Offerman .458 (11-24)



# A LOOK BACK: THE 1999 AMERICAN LEAGUE DIVISION SERIES



**D**own two games to none, the Red Sox staged an exciting comeback in the 1999 American League Division Series vs. the Cleveland Indians. Thanks in part to the timely hitting heroics of John Valentin, Nomar Garciaparra, Troy O’Leary, Mike Stanley and Jose Offerman and the solid pitching of Pedro and Ramon Martinez and Derek Lowe, Boston emerged victorious. In their memorable Game Four 23-7 win over the Tribe, the Sox set or tied a number of offensive post-season records. See the box of highlights within this recap.

## GAME 1 at CLEVELAND (Night) Wednesday, October 6

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Boston .....	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—	2	5	1
Cleveland.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	—	3	6	1

PMartinez, LOWE (5-L), Cormier (9), Garces (9) and Varitek Colon, SHUEY (9-W) and S. Alomar  
 HR—Garciaparra (1), Thome (1)  
 T—2:53; A—45,182

The Red Sox jumped out to a 1-0 lead on a 2nd-inning Nomar Garciaparra home run off Bartolo Colon. Mike Stanley’s RBI single in the 4th inning gave Boston a 2-0 lead. Sox ace Pedro Martinez held the high-powered Indians lineup scoreless, but he left the game after 4 innings after pulling a muscle in his upper back. The Tribe tied the contest at 2-2 in the 6th inning when John Valentin’s 2-out throwing error allowed Jim Thome to hit the next pitch from Red Sox reliever Derek Lowe for a 2-run HR. Cleveland loaded the bases in the 9th inning, and Travis Fryman hit a game-winning single off Rich Garces to give the Tribe a come-from-behind 3-2 win. Stanley (3-4) and Garciaparra (HR, 2B) had all 5 Boston hits.



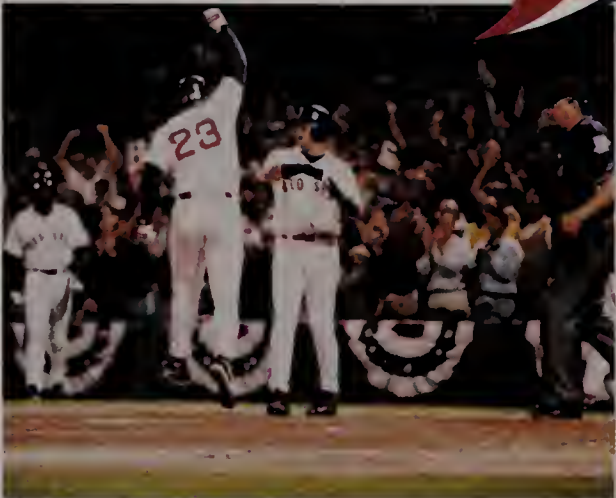
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GAME 2  
at CLEVELAND (Day)  
Thursday, October 7

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Boston .....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	1	6	0
Cleveland.....	0	0	6	5	0	0	0	0	x	—	11	8	0

SABERHAGEN (L), Wasdin (3), Wakefield (5), Gordon (7), Beck (8) and Varitek  
NAGY (W), Karsay (8), Jackson (9) and S. Alomar  
HR—Baines (1), Thome (2)  
T—2:47; A—45,184

For the 2nd straight game, Boston grabbed an early lead when Trot Nixon scored on a 3rd-inning single by Jose Offerman. The lead was short lived, however, as the Tribe scored 6 runs in the 3rd inning, highlighted by a Harold Baines 3-run homer. Boston gave up 5 more runs in the 4th inning, 4 of which came on Jim Thome's grand slam. Bret Saberhagen lasted only 2.2 innings in the 11-1 loss. Mike Stanley continued his hot hitting by going 2-3. The 10-run defeat was the worst in Red Sox post-season history.



GAME 3  
at BOSTON (Day)  
Saturday, October 9

										R	H	E	
Cleveland.....	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	—	3	9	1
Boston .....	0	0	0	0	2	1	6	0	x	—	9	11	2

Burba, WRIGHT (5-L), Rincon (7), DePaula (7), S.Reed (8) and S. Alomar  
R.Martinez, LOWE (6-W), Beck (9) and Varitek  
HR—Valentin (1), Daubach (1)  
T—3:08; A—33,539

Trailing the series 2-0, and learning a few hours before the game that SS Nomar Garciaparra was unable to play because of a sore wrist, Boston looked to Ramon Martinez to keep the Sox in the series. Martinez responded by tossing 5.2 innings, allowing just 2 runs on 5 hits at Fenway Park. John Valentin (2-5, 2B, HR, 3 RBI) broke a 2-2 tie in the 6th inning with a solo HR off Jaret Wright who lost in relief. Cleveland tied the score in the 7th inning, 3-3, but the Sox rallied in the bottom of the inning on a 2-run double by Valentin and a 3-run HR by Brian Daubach off Ricardo Rincon. Derek Lowe pitched 2.1 innings of solid relief (2H, 1 R) to get the 9-3 win.



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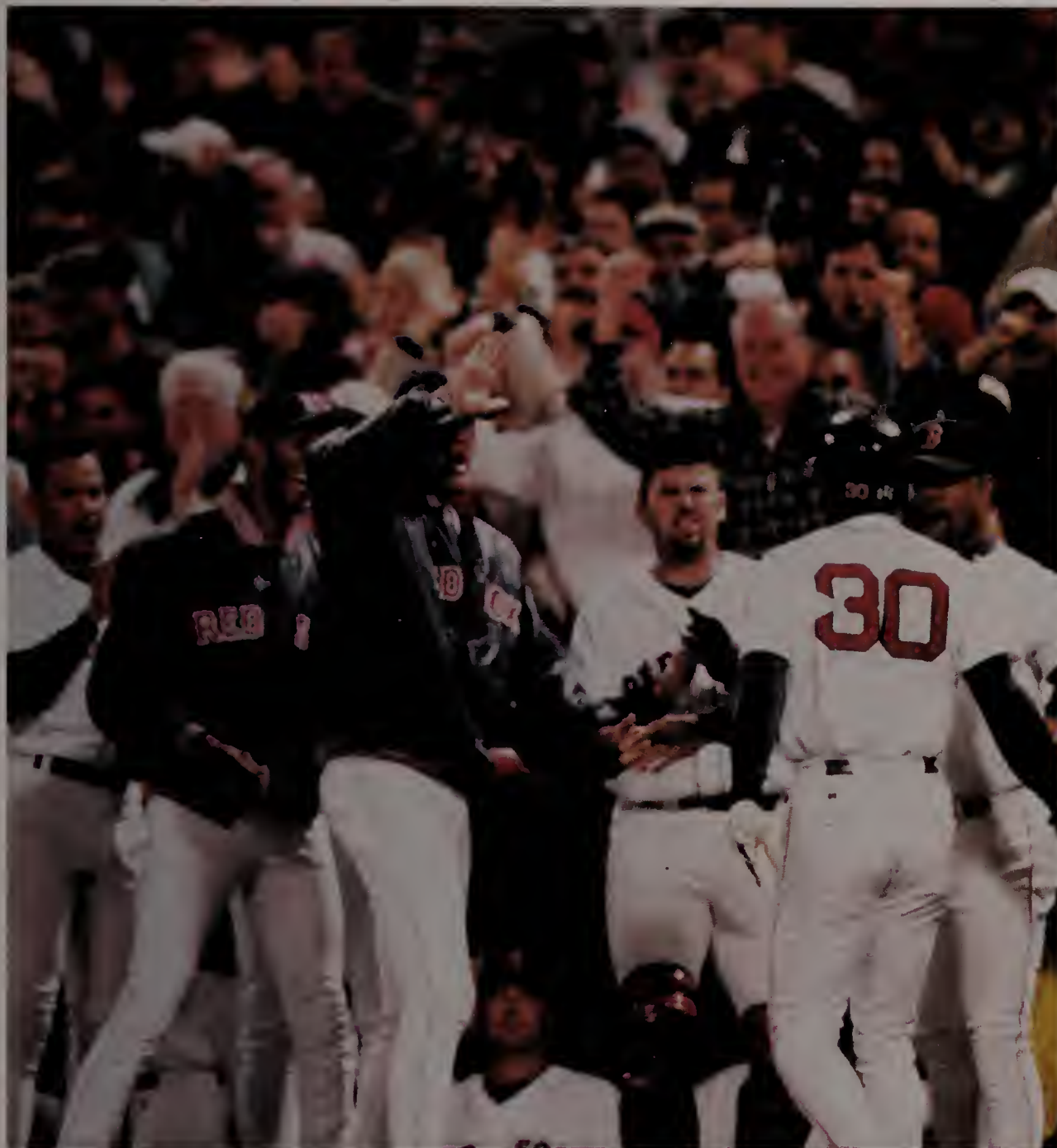
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**GAME 4**  
**at BOSTON (Night)**  
**Sunday, October 10**

										R	H	E	
Cleveland.....	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	—	7	8	0
Boston .....	2	5	3	5	3	0	3	2	x	—	23	24	0

COLON (L), Karsay (2), S. Reed (4), DePaula (5), Assenmacher (7), Shuey (8) and S. Alomar, Diaz (7)

Mercker, GARCES (2-W), Wakefield (5), Wasdin (5), Cormier (5), Gordon (9) and Varitek, Hatteberg (8)

HR—Valentin 2 (3), Offerman (1), Varitek (1), Cordero (1)

T—3:49; A—33,898

High-scoring games on Sunday afternoons in October are usually reserved for football, but in this contest, the Red Sox turned the series around with a resounding 23-7 win over Cleveland. The Red Sox set 6 different post-season records, and the 2 teams combined to tie or set 3 other records. Boston scored 18 runs in the first 5 innings. John Valentin (4-5, 2B, 2 HR, 7 RBI) became the 6th Red Sox to hit 2 home runs in a post-season game, the 3rd Red Sox player to hit home runs in consecutive post-season games, set a Division Series record with 11 TB, and his 7 RBI tied an overall post-season record. The 23 runs and 24 hits by Boston set a M.L. post-season record. Mike Stanley (5-6) became just the 4th player in M.L. history to record 5 hits in a post-season game. Jason Varitek set an overall post-season record with 5 runs scored, and Jose Offerman was 3-5 with a HR and 5 RBI. Rich Garces picked up the win in relief, as Boston tied the series as 6 Boston pitchers held the Tribe to 8 hits.

**DIVISION SERIES**  
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**TIED BY THE RED SOX**  
**IN GAME FOUR,**  
**OCTOBER 4, 1999**

- ★ Red Sox recorded 24 hits that broke a major league post-season record (Atlanta vs. St. Louis on Oct. 14, 1996 in the NLCS).
- ★ Red Sox and Indians combined to tie a post-season record with 32 hits in the game, previously done twice: Toronto (18), Philadelphia (14) on Oct. 20, 1993 and New York Yankees (19), Pittsburgh (13) on Oct. 6, 1960.
- ★ Red Sox tied a Divisional Series record for doubles in a game with six (previously held by Cleveland Sept. 30, 1998).
- ★ Red Sox broke the major league record with 48 at-bats in a game (previous record was 47 at-bats held by New York Yankees on Oct. 7, 1995).
- ★ Red Sox and Cleveland combined for 30 runs that broke a major league record for the most runs by both clubs (previous Toronto 15 vs. Philadelphia 14, Oct. 20, 1993).
- ★ Red Sox scored 23 runs that set a major league record for the most runs in any post-season game (previous record was 18 runs by New York Yankees vs. New York Giants, Oct. 2, 1936, 18-4).
- ★ Red Sox scored at least one run in seven separate innings that set a Divisional Series record.
- ★ Red Sox broke a major league post-season record with 44 total bases, previous best 34, done



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**GAME 5**  
**at CLEVELAND (Night)**  
**Monday, October 11**

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Boston .....	2	0	5	1	0	0	3	0	1	—	12	10	0
Cleveland.....	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	8	7	1

Saberhagen, Lowe (2), P. MARTINEZ (4-W) and Varitek  
 Nagy, De Paula (4), SHUEY (7-L), Jackson (9) and S. Alomar  
 HR—O'Leary 2 (2), Thome 2 (4), Garciaparra (2), Fryman (1)  
 T—3:12; A—45,114

The Red Sox outlasted the Indians, 12-8, to become the 2nd team in Division Series history to win a series after losing the first 2 games. Boston also became the fifth team to win a best-of-five post-season series after losing the first 2 games. Nomar Garciaparra's 2-run HR in the 1st inning gave the Red Sox a 2-0 lead, but an RBI double by Roberto Alomar and a 2-run HR by Jim Thome gave the Tribe the lead. Travis Fryman's 2-run HR gave Cleveland a 5-2 lead in the 2nd inning. The Red Sox rallied for 5 runs in the 3rd, highlighted by Troy O'Leary's first-pitch grand slam. The Tribe scored 3 runs in the 3rd inning on a RBI double by Manny Ramirez and another 2-run HR by Thome. In the 4th ining, John Valentin's sac. fly made it 8-8. Pedro Martinez relieved Lowe and tossed 6 shutout innings (0 H, 3 BB, 8 K). In the 7th inning, O'Leary hit a 3-run homer off Paul Shuey to put the Sox ahead for good. O'Leary's first HR was the first post-season grand slam in Red Sox history, and both HR came on the first pitch after an intentional walk to Garciaparra. O'Leary tied a post-season record with 7 RBI. Red Sox and Indians set a Division Series record by hitting 6 HR.



Oct. 24, 1991, Atlanta vs. Minnesota (WS); Oct. 2, 1984, Chicago White Sox vs. San Diego and Oct. 14, 1996, Atlanta vs. St. Louis (NLCS).

- ★ Red Sox broke a major league post-season record by defeating Cleveland by 16 runs (previous record 15, Atlanta vs. St. Louis, Oct. 14, 1996, 15-0).
- ★ Red Sox tied a Divisional Series record with four HR in a game, others were: Seattle, Oct. 7, 1995; Baltimore, Oct. 1, 1996; New York, Sept 30, 1997 and Cleveland, Oct. 2, 1998.
- ★ Red Sox recorded 12 extra-base hits that set a major league post-season record.
- ★ John Valentin 4-4 with a double, 7 RBI, two 2-run HR (#2 off Colon, 405 feet) became the sixth Red Sox to hit two HR in a game joining Patsy Dougherty (1903), Harry Hooper (1915), Carl Yastrzemski (1967), Rico Petrocelli (1967) and Mo Vaughn (1998).
- ★ John Valentin became the third Red Sox player to hit HR in back-to-back games joining Nomar Garciaparra (1998) and Larry Gardner (1916).
- ★ John Valentin set a Division Series record recording 11 total bases (previous record was 10 held by Eric Karros, Oct. 4, 1995, NL, and Mo Vaughn, Sept. 29, 1998, AL). Valentin's seven RBI tied a major league post-season record tying Mo Vaughn, Sept. 29, 1998 and Edgar Martinez, Oct. 7, 1995.
- ★ Mike Stanley went 5-6 with a double, triple and three runs. He tied a major league record by recording five hits in a post-season game joining Paul Molitor, Oct. 12, 1982 WS with Milwaukee; Paul Blair, Oct. 6, 1969 ALCS with Baltimore and Marquis Grissom, Oct. 7, 1995 NLDS with Atlanta.



**T**he Red Sox (known as the Boston Americans until 1908), have hit a total of 65 post-season home runs in their history. In addition to those memorable hits of more recent times - the Game 6 blasts of Bernie Carbo and Carlton Fisk in the 1975 World Series, and Dave Henderson's two round-trippers in the 1986 ALCS and World Series - there were other particularly noteworthy homers that deserve special mention. LF Patsy Dougherty was the first and only Boston player to hit a home run in the 1903 World Series. In fact he hit two home runs in Game 2 vs. the Pittsburg Pirates at the Huntington Avenue Grounds in a 3-0 Boston win. 3B and Vermont native Larry Gardner was the first Red Sox player to hit a home run in the 1912 World Series in Game 7 in the new Fenway Park vs. the New York Giants. It was the only Red Sox home run of the Series.

In the 1915 World Series, Harry Hooper hit two homers in Game 5 vs. the Phillies in Philadelphia to help the Red Sox win the game, 5-4, and the Series. In the 10th inning of Game 1 of the 1946 Series at St. Louis, Rudy York's home run won the game for Boston, 3-2. York hit a second home run in Game 3, a 4-0 Red Sox win. The only Red Sox pitcher to hit a home run in the post-season was Jose Santiago in Game 1 of the 1967 Fall Classic at Fenway Park vs. Bob Gibson of St. Louis. It

# Red Sox Post-season Home Runs

was the only Red Sox run of the game won by the Cardinals, 2-1. The next day, Carl Yastrzemski hit two homers in a 5-0 Red Sox win. Teammate Rico Petrocelli followed suit by hitting two home runs in the must-win Game 6 in 1967, a Sox 8-4 victory at home.

Don Baylor's 9th-inning homer in Game 5 of the 1986 ALCS in Anaheim was instrumental in Boston's 7-6 win in 11 innings. In the 1998 A.L. Division Series vs. the Indians, Mo Vaughn belted two out of Jacobs Field in the Sox lone win of that series, 11-3. Nomar Garciaparra is the Red Sox leader in post-season four-base hits with seven: three in the 1998 ALDS, two in the 1999 ALDS and two in the 1999 ALCS. John Valentin had two homers (three in the series) in the 23-7 Game 4 defeat of the Indians in the 1999 ALDS at Fenway. The following night, Troy O'Leary's two homers (grand slam and three-run HR) in Cleveland secured the series for the Sox in an exciting 12-8 battle with the Indians. These and other home runs are listed in the text that follows.



Patsy Dougherty

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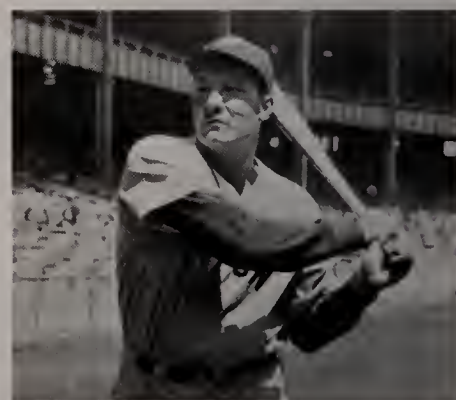
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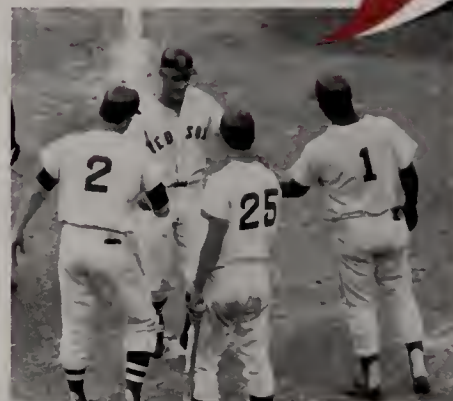


Jose Santiago



## POST-SEASON HOME RUNS

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P. Dougherty/LF	WS	10-2-03	Bos/Pitts	1st/0	S. Leever
P. Dougherty/LF	WS	10-2-03	Bos/Pitts	6th/0	B. Veil
L. Gardner/3B	WS	10-15-12	Bos/NYG	2nd/0	J. Tesreau
H. Hooper/RF	WS	10-13-15	at Phil	3rd/0	E. Mayer
D. Lewis/LF	WS	10-13-15	at Phil	8th/1	E. Rixey
H. Hooper/RF	WS	10-13-15	at Phil	9th/0	E. Rixey
L. Gardner/3B	WS	10-10-16	at Bklyn	7th/0	J. Coombs
L. Gardner/3B	WS	10-11-16	at Bklyn	2nd/2	R. Marquard
R. York/1B	WS	10-6-46	at St.L	10th/0	H. Pollet
R. York/1B	WS	10-9-46	Bos/St.L	1st/2	M. Dickson
B. Doerr/2B	WS	10-10-46	Bos/St.L	8th/1	G. Munger
L. Culberson/RF	WS	10-11-46	Bos/St.L	6th/0	A. Brazle
J. Santiago/P	WS	10-4-67	Bos/St.L	3rd/0	B. Gibson
C. Yastrzemski/LF	WS	10-5-67	Bos/St.L	4th/0	D. Hughes
C. Yastrzemski/LF	WS	10-5-67	Bos/St.L	7th/2	J. Hoerner
R. Smith/CF	WS	10-7-67	at St.L	7th/0	N. Briles
R. Petrocelli/SS	WS	10-11-67	Bos/St.L	2nd/0	D. Hughes
R. Smith/CF#	WS	10-11-67	Bos/St.L	4th/0	D. Hughes
R. Petrocelli/SS#	WS	10-11-67	Bos/St.L	4th/0	D. Hughes
C. Yastrzemski/LF	WS	10-11-67	Bos/St.L	4th/0	D. Hughes
C. Yastrzemski/LF	LCS	10-5-75	Bos/Oak	4th/1	V. Blue
R. Petrocelli/3B	LCS	10-5-75	Bos/Oak	7th/0	R. Fingers
C. Fisk/C	WS	10-14-75	at Cin	2nd/0	G. Nolan
B. Carbo/PH	WS	10-14-75	at Cin	7th/0	C. Carroll
D. Evans/RF	WS	10-14-75	at Cin	9th/1	R. Eastwick
F. Lynn/CF	WS	10-21-75	Bos/Cin	1st/2	G. Nolan
B. Carbo/PH	WS	10-21-75	Bos/Cin	8th/2	R. Eastwick
C. Fisk/C	WS	10-21-75	Bos/Cin	12th/0	P. Darcy
J. Rice/LF	LCS	10-8-86	Bos/Cal	8th/1	D. Corbett
R. Gedman/C	LCS	10-12-86	at Cal	2nd/1	M. Witt
D. Baylor/DH	LCS	10-12-86	at Cal	9th/1	M. Witt
D. Henderson/CF	LCS	10-12-86	at Cal	9th/1	D. Moore
J. Rice/LF	LCS	10-15-86	Bos/Cal	7th/2	J. Candelaria
D. Evans/RF	LCS	10-15-86	Bos/Cal	7th/0	D. Sutton
D. Henderson/CF	WS	10-19-86	at NYM	4th/0	D. Gooden
D. Evans/RF	WS	10-19-86	at NYM	5th/1	D. Gooden
D. Henderson/CF	WS	10-25-86	at NYM	10th/0	R. Aguilera
D. Evans/RF#	WS	10-27-86	at NYM	2nd/0	R. Darling
R. Gedman/C#	WS	10-27-86	at NYM	2nd/0	R. Darling



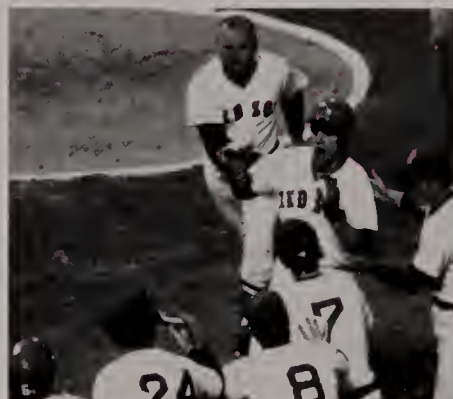
Carl Yastrzemski



Rico Petrocelli



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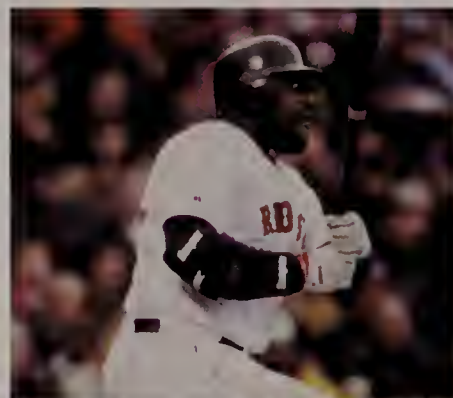
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M. Greenwell/LF	LCS	10-8-88	at Oak	2nd/0	B. Welch
W. Boggs/3B	LCS	10-6-90	Bos/Oak	4th/0	D. Stewart
J. Valentin/SS	Div	10-3-95	at Clev	3rd/1	D. Martinez
L. Alicea/2B	Div	10-3-95	at Clev	8th/0	J. Tavaréz
T. Naehring/3B	Div	10-3-95	at Clev	11th/0	J. Poole
M. Vaughn/1B	Div	9-29-98	at Clev	1st/2	J. Wright
N. Garciaparra/SS	Div	9-29-98	at Clev	5th/2	J. Wright
M. Vaughn/1B	Div	9-29-98	at Clev	6th/1	D. Jones
N. Garciaparra/SS	Div	10-2-98	Bos/Clev	9th/1	M. Jackson
N. Garciaparra/SS	Div	10-3-98	Bos/Clev	4th/0	B. Colon
N. Garciaparra/SS	Div	10-6-99	at Clev	2nd/0	B. Colon
J. Valentin, 3B	Div	10-9-99	Bos/Clev	6th/0	J. Wright
B. Daubach, DH	Div	10-9-99	Bos/Clev	7th/2	R. Rincon
J. Valentin, 3B	Div	10-10-99	Bos/Clev	1st/1	B. Colon
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T. O'Leary, LF	Div	10-11-99	at Clev	3rd/3	C. Nagy
T. O'Leary, LF	Div	10-11-99	at Clev	7th/2	P. Shuey
N. Garciaparra, SS	LCS	10-14-99	at NYY	5th/1	D. Cone
J. Valentin, 3B	LCS	10-16-99	Bos/NYY	1st/1	R. Clemens
B. Daubach, DH	LCS	10-16-99	Bos/NYY	3rd/1	H. Irabu
N. Garciaparra, SS	LCS	10-16-99	Bos/NYY	7th/1	H. Irabu
J. Varitek, C	LCS	10-18-99	Bos/NYY	8th/0	O. Hernandez

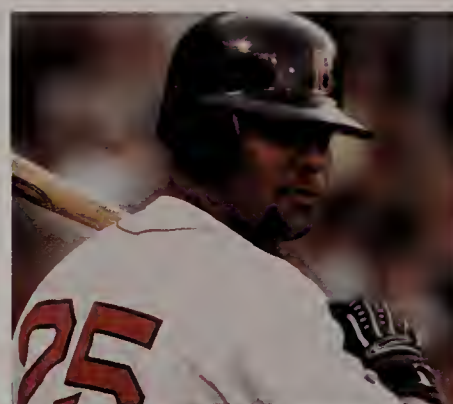
# Consecutive HR



Don Baylor



Mo Vaughn



Troy O'Leary



Nomar Garciaparra



John Valentin



# THE FIRST WORLD CHAMPIONS

By Ed Walton



**T**his fall baseball will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first World Series of the modern era. It also marks the anniversary of Boston's first American League Championship coming in just the team's third season having been an original League member in 1901.

The season of 1903 marked several milestones in baseball history. It saw the end to a disastrous two-year war between the National and American Leagues with the Cincinnati peace pact signed in January. The American League finally had won recognition as a full

major league. The wounds left by several seasons of player raids were beginning to heal, and despite an uneasy feeling caused by several seasons of bickering, it appeared that peace would prevail.

One of the first to relent was Barney Dreyfuss, owner of the Pittsburgh Pirates. He had been successful in keeping the American League out of Pittsburgh, a move that would later find the new league placing a team in New York. His 1903 Pirates won their third straight pennant by 14 1/2 games over the Philadelphia Athletics. Boston had

**Fans help each other get in to see Game 3 of the World Series. Courtesy of the Boston Public Library, Print Department.**

gone into first place in June and remained there for the rest of the season. As Pittsburgh and Boston moved into late August it appeared that both would win their leagues' pennant, so Pittsburgh owner Dreyfuss made overtures to Boston owner Henry J. Killilea about playing a post-season championship series. Killilea was unsure how the American League czar Ban Johnson would feel about



such an arrangement and went to Chicago to sound out Johnson. Johnson asked Killilea if he felt his New Englanders could beat Pittsburg, and upon learning Boston's manager Jimmy Collins felt *his* club could, the blessing to proceed was given.

Dreyfuss suggested the first team to win five games would be the champion — this meant that the Series could go a maximum of nine games. The owners agreed to split the gate receipts, and both agreed to use no player who was not on the roster as of September 1, an agreement that continues today. Admission prices were set at one dollar for the most desirable seats and 50 cents for all other seats and standing room. The

two owners further agreed to make their own financial arrangements with their players.

This later arrangement almost led to the cancellation of the first Series. The Pirate players were under contract until October 15 that would cover them for the October starting date. However, the Boston players' contracts expired on September 30. This led to a threatened strike by the Boston players unless their demand for Boston's entire share of the gate was met. Owner Killilea appeased his hired hands by giving them two weeks of extra pay plus a share of his receipts.

The World Series would be played in two relatively small ballparks capacity-wise. The Huntington Avenue Grounds in Boston

(now the site of Northeastern University) had a deep outfield that was not the case at Pittsburg's Exposition Park. To overcome the seating problems caused both clubs to put up ropes in the outfield to restrain the crowds. Hits into these crowds were ground rule triples and the four games in Pittsburg resulted in 17 triples, 12 by Boston.

No sooner had the Series details been worked out than Pittsburg fans suffered two discouragements. Sam Leever, a 25-game

**The Royal Rooters were sitting in their special seats behind home plate. The Boston Letter Carrier's band played the Rooters' theme song "Tessie." Courtesy of the Boston Public Library, Print Department.**





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Who are we?  
We are the rooters for 19-03  
We will win,  
Go tell your pa,  
We Beaters, Beaters,  
Rah! Rah! Rah!

No. 2.  
Five games, Five games  
We want five,  
We are here and all alive,  
Biff! Bang! Bang, Bang, Bang!  
Zim! Zam! Zam, Zam, Zam!

No. 3.  
In the good old summer time,  
Our Boston Base Ball Nine  
Beat the teams—east and west,  
Now they're first in line  
The Pittsburgs they are after us,  
Come! Come! Come!  
We'll do them as we did the rest  
In the good old summer time.

3rd Base.  Nuffsaid.

*"Tessie, you make me feel so badly  
Why don't you turn around?  
Tessie, you know I love you madly,  
Babe, my heart weighs about a pound.  
Don't blame me if I ever doubt you,  
You know I couldn't live without you.  
Tessie, you are the only, only, only."*

The Rooters' Souvenir Card was handed out to rooters during the Series. It also served as an advertisement for McGreevy's Saloon. On the back of the card the lyrics of their theme song, "Tessie" were printed. Courtesy of the Boston Public Library, Print Department.

winner, came down with a sore arm. Lefthander Ed Doheny, a 16-game winner, went berserk. Wielding a piece of iron from a cast iron stove, he nearly killed a faith-cure doctor and a male nurse before being subdued and placed in an institution.

Pittsburg arrived at Boston's Vendome Hotel to find the place bulging with fans and slick-dressed gents waving fistfuls of money-seeking wagers on the games. Gambling was a much-opened sport in those days. After the Series ended, a rumor surfaced that Boston

catcher Lou Criger and pitcher Cy Young had been approached by gamblers to put in a fix.

There were several interesting sidelights to the Series. There were the famed Boston Royal Rooters, an organization of fans, who had switched allegiance from Boston's National League entry. They followed the Pilgrims to Pittsburg and back again encouraging victories by singing their victory song "Tessie." It was reported they sang their song so loud and often it drove Pittsburg to distraction. This group was led by two famous fans of that period — Mike Regan and a local saloon keeper whose watering hole was a popular player hangout — Mr. Michael "Nuf 'Ced" McGreevey. "Nuf 'Ced"

because of his way of ending arguments by banging on his bar saying, "Enough Said."

The first World Series scandal occurred during the game of October 3 in Boston and haunted the club for most of the winter. Fans from outlying communities poured into the city via excursion trains early in the day and went directly to the park. They swarmed into seats reserved for the Royal Rooters. When the Rooters arrived the poachers refused to yield the seats. There were not enough ushers or security on hand to enforce law and order, and the Boston police refused to step in. There were more than a few disputes settled with fistfights. The blame for this went squarely to Boston secretary Joe Smart. Smart along with owner



Cy Young won Games 5 and 7 in the Series for Boston.



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## FIRST WORLD CHAMPIONS



**Boston Police in dugout at the Huntington Avenue Grounds before Game 8 of the Series. There had been a conflict between police and Boston fans during earlier games of the Series vs. Pittsburg when fans rioted because there weren't enough seats. Courtesy of the Boston Public Library, Print Department.**

Killilea were criticized for their tightwad methods that included making the owner of the Pirates, owners of the Boston Nationals and sportswriters from cities other than the participants pay their way into the games. All of this combined with the way tickets were sold, many finding their way into the hands of speculators, eventually led to Smart's being eased out and Killilea selling the team to Charles Taylor, owner of the *Boston Globe* newspaper, before the 1904 season.

Boston presented a strong lineup led by Hall of Fame third baseman and manager Jimmy Collins. His infield mates included Fred Parent at shortstop. Hobe Ferris at second base and Candy LaChance at first base. The outfield consisted of three left-handed batters led by Pat Dougherty in left field, Chick Stahl in center field and Buck Freeman, who led the team with 13 home runs in right field. The catchers were Lou Criger and Duke Farrell. Filling in as a super

sub was Jack O'Brien. The pitching was led by three 20-game winners: Cy Young (28-9), Bill Dineen (21-13) and Long Tom Hughes (20-7) followed by Norwood Gibson (13-9) and George Winter (9-8). The team finished with 91 wins and 47 losses. It should be noted that Dineen was spelled with one N in 1903; later it was often spelled Dinneen.

The Pirates also presented an outstanding lineup led by their leftfielder Fred Clarke. Joining manager Clarke in the outfield were Ginger Beaumont in center field and Jimmy Sebring in right. The fancy-fielding Kitty Bransfield played first here. Claude Ritchey was at second, little Tommy Leach at third and Hall of Famer and all-time great Honus Wagner at shortstop. Eddie Phelps and Harry Smith handled the catching. The pitching staff was headed by Sam Leever, Ed Doheny, "Brickyard" Kennedy, "Bucky" Vail and the workhorse Deacon Phillippe. Joining the staff in lesser roles were Wilhelm, Thompson and Falkenberg.

### THE 1903 SERIES

**Game 1, October 1:** The first modern World Series game took place at Boston's Huntington Avenue Grounds, with 16,242 in the stands and many behind the outfield ropes. The Pirates won 7-3 behind Phillippe defeating Young. The Pirates Jim Sebring hit the first Series home run.

**Game 2, October 2:** Boston, behind Bill Dineen wins 3-0 for the first shutout game. Dineen scattered three hits while striking out 11. Two home runs by Dougherty kept the small crowd of 9,415 happy.

**Game 3, October 3:** The third game may be remembered more for the crowd control problems than Phillippe's 4-2 victory. A Saturday crowd of 18,801 was nothing but a headache for Boston officials as we have seen.

**Game 4, October 6:** The Series moved to Pittsburg after a travel day and a day of rain. Phillippe drew the starting assignment, his third in six days, and although hit hard and a three-run ninth inning he held on to win 5-4 before 7,600 Smokey City fans. It was the Deacon's third win of the Series. Pirate fans were confident their 3-1 lead in games would bring a World Championship.



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From one end of the country to the other eager ears were alert for the tick of the telegraph instrument that would announce the victor.

**Bill Dineen led the Americans pitching staff with three wins in the Series including the decisive Game 8. Photo courtesy of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.**

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**The newspaper headlines for October 14, 1903. Courtesy of the Trustees of the Boston Public Library.**

**Game 5, October 7:** Before the game, the exuberant Pirate fans, 12,322 of them, conducted a mock ceremony where they presented the Royal Rooters with a rainbow-colored umbrella. Before the afternoon was over, the umbrella became an emblem of Boston's victory. The Royal Rooters snake danced through the stands waving it high as Boston rapped out 14 hits in an 11-2 victory behind Cy Young.

**Game 6, October 8:** A 6-3 Boston win tied the Series at three games apiece. Bill Dineen was the winner over the sore-armed Sam Leever.

**Game 7, October 9:** Called off by Pirates owner Dreyfuss due to cold weather, a move that was not popular with the Boston delegation. They accused Dreyfuss of setting

up for a more lucrative Saturday plus giving Philippe an extra day's rest.

Game 7, October 10: The day off helped bring in a crowd of 17,038 but was of little help to Phillippe as the over-worked pitcher lost to Cy Young 7-3. Boston took advantage of the ground rule that allowed balls hit into the crowd to be triples. Five of Boston's 11 hits came in this manner.

**Game 8, October 13:** After two days off, the Series returned to Boston and only 7,455 turned out to see Dineen and Phillippe face each other. The Deacon pitched well, but was no match for Dineen who hurled a 4-hit, 3-0 win giving Boston the Worlds Championship. On a final note, it was reported that the Boston fans pranced in and around the Huntington Avenue Grounds well into the night in a noisy tribute to their new champions. ★





# Memories of Post-seasons Past

by Herb Crehan

*While the 2003 Boston Red Sox prepared for their fourth American League Divisional Series in nine years, five former players, current pitcher Tim Wakefield, and the team's Executive Consultant of Public Affairs, Lou Gorman, looked back on post-season appearances over the years.*



"It's just an unbelievable experience standing along the baselines for the introductions before the first game of the playoffs," Red Sox righthander Tim Wakefield emphasized before a late-season game. "You keep thinking about how hard you worked to get there, and how much excitement there is in the ballpark. It's very special for the players."

It may be over 55 years ago, but all-time Red Sox favorite Johnny Pesky still remembers the excitement of the 1946 World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. "You could feel a tingle. You had to work to keep from getting too excited, but boy, you really feel the juices flowing. There's nothing else in baseball quite like it."



## 1946 WORLD SERIES

"Spring training in 1946 was extra special for us," Pesky recalled. "We trained in Sarasota, Florida, in those days, and we were all just out of the armed service. The war was over and we hadn't seen one another in a couple of years. It was like a reunion. And it was very special because we knew we had a darned good ball club."

"Ted (Williams) was in his prime. I was 25 when I reported to spring training, and Dominic (DiMaggio) and Bobby (Doerr) were only a little older. And we knew we had some very good pitchers."

The 1946 Red Sox got off to a fast start, winning 15 in a row from late April to May 11. The team had a double-digit lead on their closest American League rival when the All-Star Game was played in Fenway Park in July. The team had eight representatives on the American League squad.

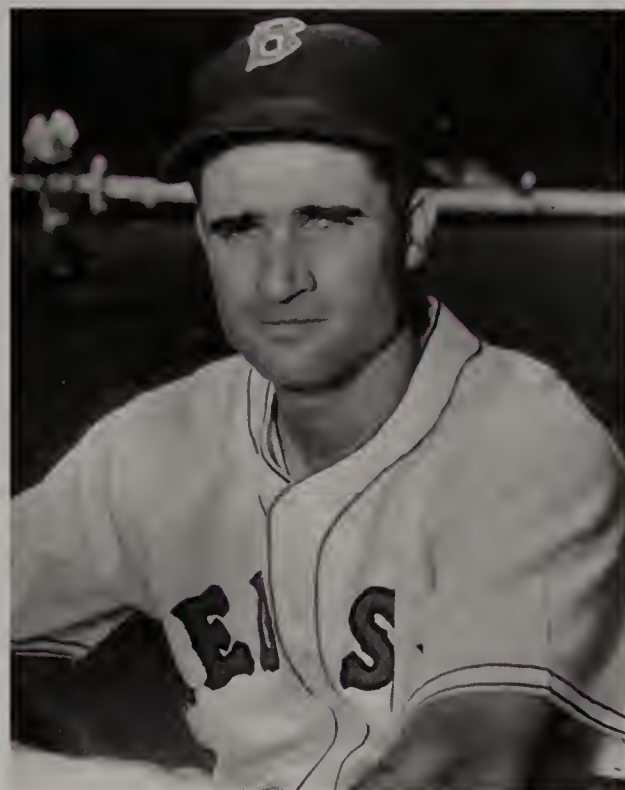
"That was the year Ted hit a home run off an 'eeplus' (blooper) pitch from Rip

Sewell," Pesky recalled. "The pitch must have been 20 feet high at its peak, and Williams launched it into the bullpen. I made an error and went hitless in my one at-bat," Pesky laughed, "but we beat the National League, 12-0, and that's all we cared about in those days."

Pesky still vividly remembers the Red Sox pennant-clinching victory over the Cleveland Indians on September 13, 1946. "Ted hit an inside-the-park home run to left field at old League Park in Cleveland. Seems like it took him 20 minutes to round the bases, but he did it, and we won 1-0. It was a great feeling."

The Red Sox split the first two games of the World Series in St. Louis, and returned to Boston to win Games Three and Five. "When we headed back to St. Louis, we were still optimistic and convinced we were going to win it. When you are in the World Series with a team like ours you are excited every minute."





(From left) Ted Williams, Johnny Pesky, Dom DiMaggio and (above) Bobby Doerr, teammates and lifelong friends, were major forces behind the Red Sox 1946 post-season hopes.

St. Louis won Game Six, but the Red Sox came back to tie the Cardinals 3-3 with two runs in the top of the eighth inning of Game Seven. In the last of the eighth, the Cards' Enos Slaughter scored what proved to be the winning run when he ran through the third base coach's "stop sign" to give his team a 4-3 lead.

"A lot of people blamed me for that play," offered Pesky, whose relay throw from outfielder Leon Culberson failed to catch Slaughter at the plate. "I was sensitive to that for a long time."

"Not fair to Johnny," Hall of Fame second baseman Bobby Doerr has stated repeatedly over the years. "Slaughter was trying to steal second, so he had a head start when the ball was hit." At second base, Doerr probably had the best view of the play as it unfolded and he recalls, "By the time the throw came in from the outfield to Johnny, Slaughter was probably within 20 feet of home plate. Nobody could have thrown him (Slaughter) out."

Looking sprightly in his Red Sox uniform, 84-year-old Johnny Pesky heads to the field to hit fungoes to the infielders during batting practice.

## THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM TEAM

Rookie Red Sox second baseman, and current Jimmy Fund Executive Director, Mike Andrews, didn't know quite what to expect when he joined the team for spring training in 1967. "I had come up for the last couple of weeks in 1966, but I had played a full season in Triple-A with Toronto. I knew the Red Sox had finished ninth that year, but I didn't think the club was that bad.



(Right) Mike Andrews hit .308 (4-13) in the 1967 World Series.

"And I knew I was coming up with a bunch of good players. Reggie Smith was a terrific talent, Russ Gibson added a lot at catcher, and we had won two years in a row in Toronto. None of us expected to be on a losing team.

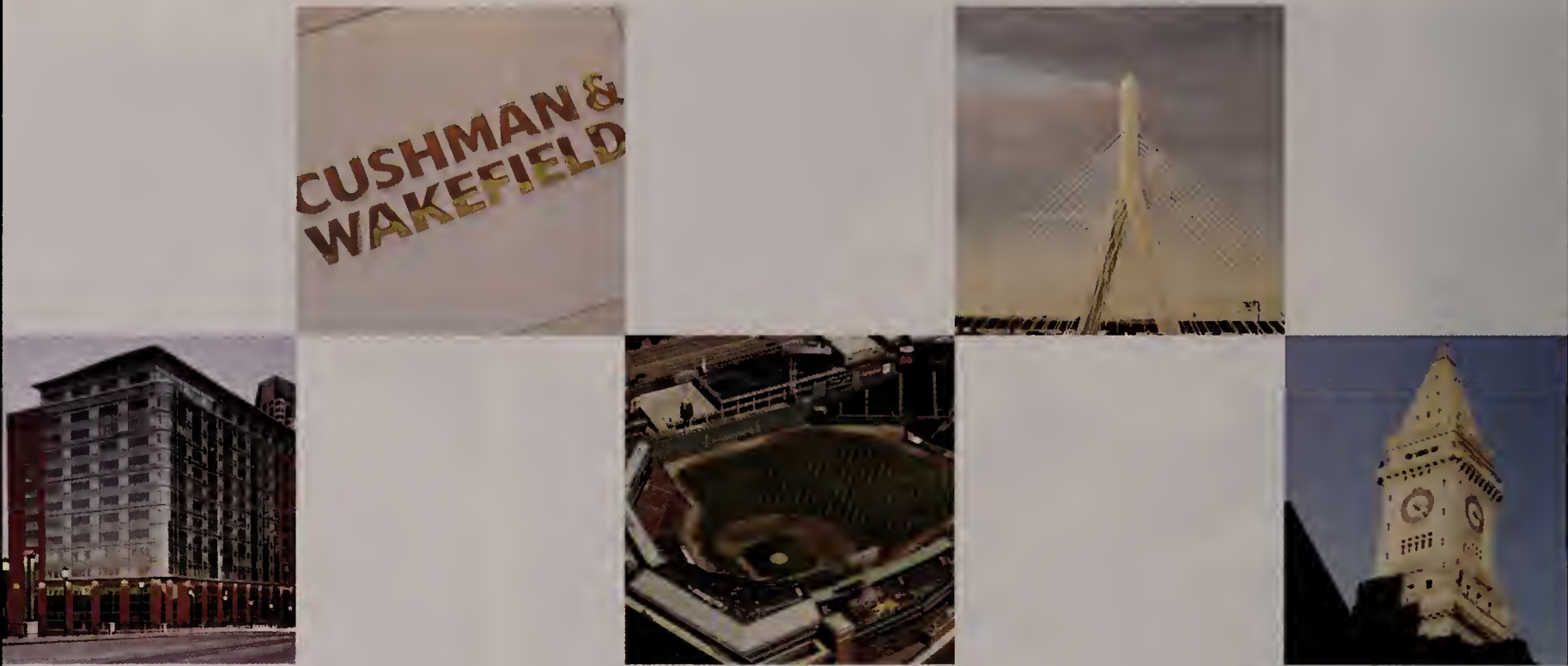
"Dick Williams had been our manager at Toronto. We knew he couldn't stand to lose. And if there was any complacency on the team, we knew Dick would change that in a hurry."

The Las Vegas bookmakers had established the 1967 Red Sox as 100-1 underdogs to win the American League pennant, but the team was in the thick of the competition from the start. On the fourth of July, the Sox were only four and one-half games out of first place. Asked when he first thought they had a shot at the pennant, Andrews responded, "After we had been around the league twice, we knew we were as good as anyone. We kind of looked at one another and agreed that we could win the whole thing.

"Then when we won 10 straight and flew back to Boston from Cleveland with over 10,000 fans waiting for us, we really got caught up in the excitement. From that point on we were really focused on winning the pennant."

The 1967 team remained within three games of first place throughout





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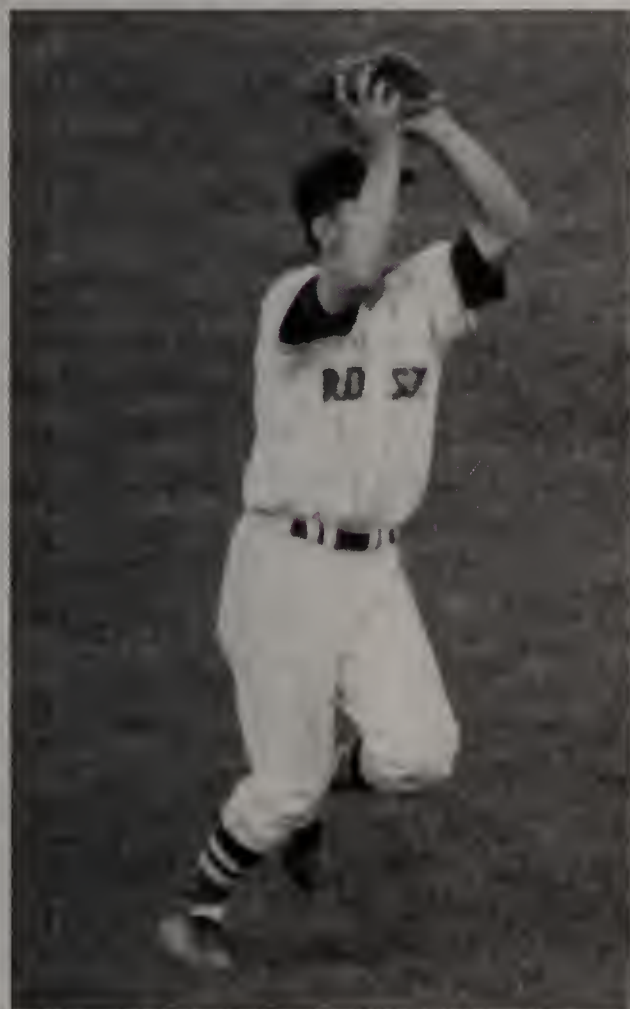


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September, and held at least a share of the American League lead on 10 different days. In perhaps the most exciting pennant race in American League history, the season came down to a two-game series against the Minnesota Twins on the final weekend.

"Those last two games were incredibly exciting. Even when Rico (Petrocelli) caught the popup on Sunday for our 5-3 win over the Twins, we still had to wait for Detroit to play the second game of their doubleheader before we knew we had won the pennant.

"It was an unbelievable thrill to play in the World Series. But we were down three games to one before we realized we had to turn up the intensity. We never really had a chance to prepare for the Cardinals. We found out we were going to the Series on Sunday night and the first game was played Tuesday afternoon.

"After we won Games Five and Six, we were convinced we would win Game

Seven. We knew what we were up against in Bob Gibson, but we really believed in ourselves as a team. I still would like to replay that game with Lonnie (Jim Lonborg) going on three days rest!"

Speaking at the second annual WEEI Radiothon at Fenway Park for the Jimmy Fund in August, Andrews emphasized the progress that Dana Farber has made in treating cancer among children. "We have made tremendous strides over the years. But we never could have done it without our biggest supporter, the Boston Red Sox."

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## 1975 WORLD SERIES

Many observers consider the 1975 World Series between the Boston Red Sox and the Cincinnati Reds to be the most exciting Series in baseball history. Dwight Evans was the starting rightfielder for the team in 1975.

"It was obvious in spring training that we were going to have a real good team. You could see right away that Fred Lynn and Jim Rice were ready for the big leagues. And you knew that Luis (Tiant), Bill Lee and Rick Wise would give us good pitching. I was very hopeful."

Johnny Pesky was the first base coach in 1975; he had a good feeling about the team. "I had followed Rice and Lynn throughout their minor league careers so I knew they would contribute. I thought the team would do well."

Rookies Rice and Lynn got most of the early attention but Evans was quietly building a reputation as one of the top rightfielders in the major leagues. He remembers a doubleheader in July against the Yankees as a turning point in the season. "We were playing them in Shea Stadium because Yankee Stadium was being renovated. We split the first two games of the series but then we swept them in a doubleheader. When we left New York we were up about by about 10

games and we knew we could handle the Yankees."

The Red Sox clinched the Eastern Division Championship on September 27, 1975 and prepared to meet the three-time World Champion Oakland A's. "Your first post-season is very exciting. We had played well against Oakland, and we felt we would win," Evans remarked.

(At Left) Jim Lonborg and Carl Yastrzemski, the 1967 Cy Young Award Winner and A.L. MVP, celebrate a pennant.

(Above) Luis Tiant, Jr. and Sr. participated in ceremonial first pitch honors before a 1975 post-season game.

(Below) The 1975 outfield: Jim Rice, Fred Lynn and Dwight Evans.







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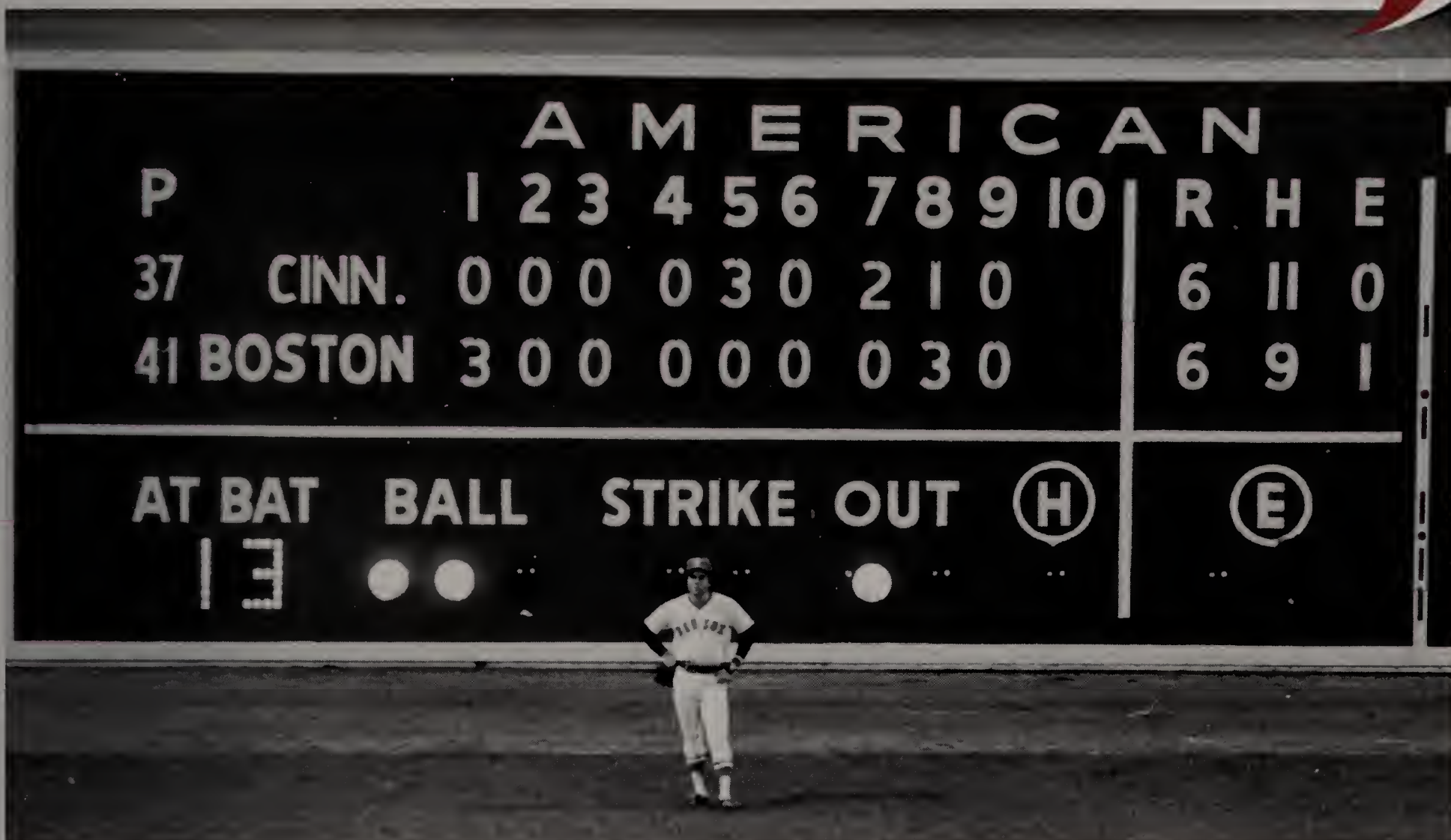
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Bernie Carbo stands in left field following his momentous game-tying home run in Game Six.

The Red Sox swept the Oakland A's in three games behind the pitching of Luis Tiant and the .455 hitting of captain Carl Yastrzemski. The Big Red Machine from Cincinnati arrived in Boston for an epic World Series.

"What a Series that was," Pesky recalled. "We had Luis Tiant twisting and turning to win the first game here at Fenway. We lost that first game in Cincinnati with that terrible umpire's call (umpire Larry Barnett's failure to call interference on the Reds' Ed Armbrister), and then Luis Tiant threw 160-something pitches to give us a win. What a series!"

The Red Sox came back to Boston down three games to two and then the rains came. "It was raining every morning when I got up," Pesky remembered. "But the three days of rain gave Tiant some rest and we were able to start him in Game Six."

Game Six of the 1975 World Series is one of the most memorable games in Red Sox history. Bernie Carbo hit a pinch-hit, three-run home run into the center-field bleachers to tie the game 6-6 in the bottom of the eighth inning, and Evans made a spectacular catch off a Joe Morgan home run bid in the 11th inning to keep Red Sox

hopes alive.

"Morgan hit that ball so hard that all I could do was react," Evans recalled. "I didn't have a chance to gauge how far I was from the wall. I had to go all out just to get to the ball."

Pesky was in the first base coach's box when Carlton Fisk launched his historic home run in the bottom of the 12th inning. "I didn't have a good angle on the ball. I couldn't tell whether it was going to stay fair. But I could see it clearly when it hit the foul pole. I can't remember what I yelled to Fisk when he passed me, but I know he didn't hear it. Everyone was screaming too loud."

Memories of the 1975 post-season claim a special place in Luis Tiant's heart. His father, Luis Tiant, Sr., and his mother, Isabel, were allowed to travel from Cuba to watch Luis pitch in the playoffs. Long-time Red Sox fans still cherish the memory of watching Luis' parents cheer him on at Fenway Park.

"I hadn't seen my parents in many years. My mother came to Mexico City in 1968 to visit us, but I hadn't seen my father since 1961. It meant everything to me to have them there."

U.S. Senators Edward Brooke and George McGovern helped persuade the Cuban government to issue visas to Luis' parents so they could watch him pitch in the post-season. It marked the first time that Luis, Sr., who had been a star pitcher in the Negro Leagues, had seen his son pitch in the major leagues.

Luis' parents and the Fenway faithful were thrilled by Tiant's 7-1, complete game victory over the Oakland A's in the opening game of the American League Championship Series. Asked if having his parents in the stands added to the playoff pressure, Luis demurs.

"I was very aware they were there. And I wanted to win for them. But it is very important for a pitcher to stay within himself. If you try to do more than you are capable of, that's when you get in trouble. I just tried to pitch my regular game."

Tiant put on another masterful exhibition in the first game of the World Series, shutting out the powerful Cincinnati Reds in a 6-0 victory. "I knew where my parents were sitting and I would look up there when I was walking off the mound when the inning was over. It was a nice feeling. But





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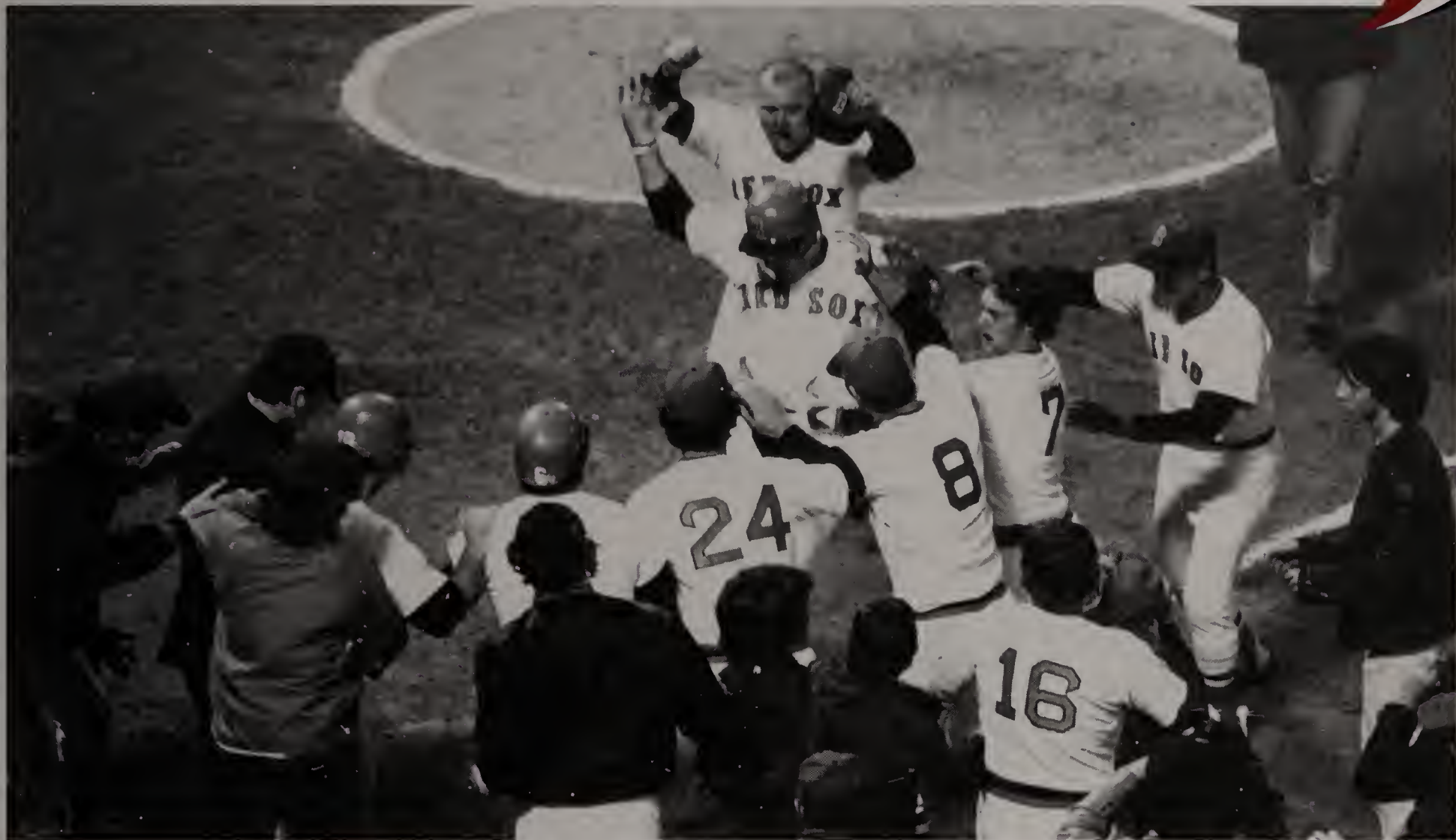
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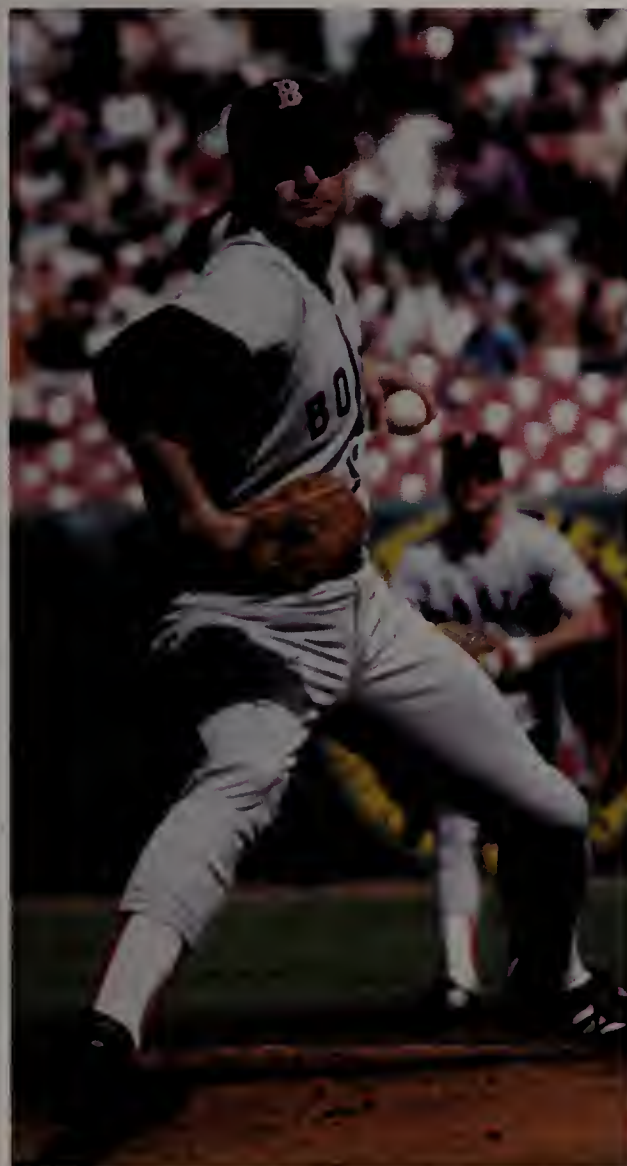
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The Red Sox celebrating Carlton Fisk's game-winning home run.



Bruce Hurst led Sox pitchers in the 1986 World Series with his 2-0, 1.96 showing in 23 innings pitched.

when I was pitching to the hitters I had to forget about it. You have to stay focused."

In Game Four in Cincinnati Luis refused to lose, throwing 163 pitches en route to a 5-4 victory. His gutsy performance evened the Series with two wins for each team.

"The crowd was noisy in Cincinnati, but you just have to tune them out. When you're pitching to Pete Rose or Johnny Bench you can't be distracted. You concentrate on the hitters and don't listen to what the fans are yelling."

Tiant pitched gallantly in Game Six before tiring in the late innings. When Rogelio Moret relieved him in the eighth inning, Red Sox fans saluted him with one of the great ovations in Fenway history. "I remember the fans cheering. It made me feel good. Know what I mean?"

Asked where he was when Carlton Fisk hit his historic home run in the 12th inning, Luis remembers, "I was down in the clubhouse wrapped in a towel. When he hit that home run I ran to the dugout. Somebody said, 'You can't go on the field like that,' so I waited for Fisk in the dugout."

## AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPS OF 1986

"I knew we had a good team when we went to spring training in 1986," Lou Gorman remembers, "but honestly didn't think we had a World Series team on our hands. We had gone 81-81 the year before. I thought it was a good ball club, but never thought in terms of a World Series."

Lou Gorman had been hired as general manager of the Red Sox before the 1984 season. A long-time major league executive, Gorman had most recently been the director of baseball operations for the New York Mets.

Gorman traded Mike Easler to the Yankees in late March for veteran Don Baylor. "I knew Baylor would be a good addition. I had him in Baltimore and knew he was a leader and a winner. He was a good pickup for us."

"We got off to a good start. Roger (Clemens) was absolutely sensational for us. He ran off 14 straight wins before he finally lost. But even though we were leading the division at the end of June, I thought we still had some holes."





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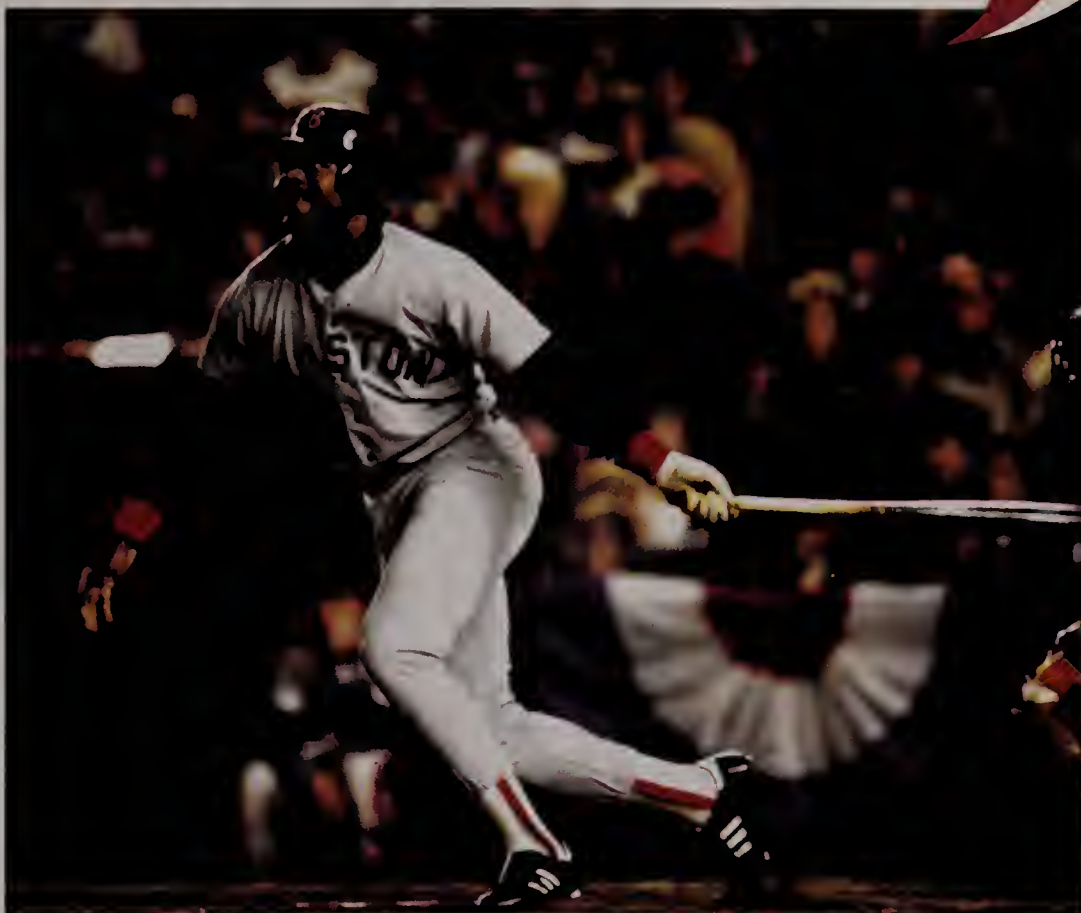
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(Above) General Manager Lou Gorman made some key acquisitions in 1986 to help propel the Sox into post-season contention.

(Right) Two of Dave Henderson's three post-season home runs came at pivotal moments.



"I was able to make a deal with the Chicago White Sox for Tom Seaver, and knew his veteran presence would help us. The players in the clubhouse, especially Clemens, were in awe of Seaver. He gave us a nice shot in the arm.

"I still felt that we needed some more stability at shortstop and one more outfielder. I swung a deal with Seattle in August that gave us Spike Owen at short and Dave Henderson as another outfielder. I knew them both from my time in Seattle and knew they would make a contribution.

"After we picked up Owen and Henderson, I thought we had a serious chance to win the division. I remember saying to (manager) John McNamara at the beginning of September, 'I think we're going to make it.' His response was, 'I think so too.'"

"We were about as close to losing to the Angels in the playoffs as a team can be. We had lost, we were done, and then Dave Henderson saved the day. I was sitting behind our dugout with Mrs. Yawkey and others, and the Angels fans were really giving it to us.

"I was standing up, looking for security to escort us out, with my back to the field when Henderson hit the ball. I heard the crack of the bat and then the stadium grew silent. You could not hear a sound in that ballpark.

"Game Six of the World Series may have been the most dramatic game in baseball history. It was painful for Red Sox fans and it was traumatic for everyone associated

with the ball club. I was standing on the stairs of the dugout, headed for the clubhouse presentation when we lost the game. It was devastating."

Gorman recalls the team's playoff appearances in 1988 and 1990, "I thought we had a good shot against Oakland both years. But in the end, there was just too much Eckersley (A's reliever Dennis) for us." What will Gorman be thinking before the first playoff game this year? "There's always a good chance when you make it that far. This is a talented ball club."

Former Red Sox star pitcher Bruce Hurst has strong memories of the 1986 post-season. Hurst, who accounted for three of the seven Boston victories in the 1986 playoffs, remembers it as a special time.

"There is a lot more excitement in the playoffs. There's a lot more activity, there's more media around, it just feels different at the ballpark. And as a player it's what you work for all year. You try not to get too excited and you try to make the energy work for you."

Bruce Hurst was the starting pitcher in game two of the American League Championship Series against the Angels. The Red Sox had lost the opening game of the series at Fenway Park by a score of 8-1, and faced the prospect of heading to Anaheim down by two games. Asked if he felt additional pressure before the game Hurst offers, "Everything is magnified in the

playoffs. You just have to pitch your normal game. I knew the team would score some runs for me."

The Red Sox scored nine runs for Hurst on a sunny afternoon at Fenway, and he reciprocated by holding the Angels to two runs in a complete-game victory. The two teams headed to California with one victory apiece.

Hurst was the starting pitcher in historic game five. "I didn't pitch that well but it was one of the greatest games I was ever associated with in the big leagues. We had our backs to the wall and the Angel fans were ready to celebrate, but we wouldn't give up. Dave Henderson's clutch hitting is one of my greatest memories in baseball.

"When we flew back to Boston after game five we flew right over St. George, Utah, where I grew up. When I was a kid I would watch the Game of the Week on Saturday and then I would go outside and throw the ball against the wall. I remember looking up at the sky and watching the jet planes flying overhead. Like a lot of kids I would daydream that I was up there flying from city to city as a professional ballplayer. When I looked down at my boyhood home it made me smile and brought back a lot of great memories."

Hurst was the starting pitcher in the opening game of the 1986 World Series at Shea Stadium. "It was a big thrill to start the first game of the World Series. You could real-



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ly feel the excitement in the crowd." He limited the Mets to just four hits in Game One as the Red Sox held on for a tense 1-0 victory.

When Hurst took the mound at Fenway Park for Game Five, the series was even at two games apiece. He responded with a vintage Bruce Hurst performance, limiting the Mets to two runs in a 4-2 Red Sox victory. Bruce was rewarded with a standing ovation from the fans as his teammates surrounded him following his complete game victory.

"I always loved the fans in Boston. They cheered you when you performed and they got all over you when you didn't. But I always felt they were just reminding you that they wanted you to do well. Boston has great fans."

Hurst started Game Seven at Shea Stadium with only three days of rest between starts. He shut out the Mets over the first five innings but ran into trouble in the sixth inning. He left the game after the sixth inning with the score tied 3-3, but the Mets went on to earn the World Series Championship with an 8-5 victory.

"I just plain ran out of gas in the sixth inning. I tried to reach back for more but it just wasn't there. I wish I could have hung on to get it done but my tank was empty."



Veteran Tim Wakefield is vying for a World Championship in four post-season attempts with Boston.



A jubilant Red Sox dugout in Anaheim.

## RECENT POST-SEASONS

Tim Wakefield's perspective on spring training in 1995 was different from other Red Sox players. He spent it in Bradenton, Florida, with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"The Pirates released me and I signed a contract with the Red Sox to start out in Pawtucket. They brought me up after a few weeks and I won a few games. I realized pretty quickly that we had a good team.

"Right after the All-Star Game that year, I think we all knew we had a good shot at the division. With pitchers like Roger (Clemens) and hitters like Mo Vaughn, (Jose) Canseco and Mike Greenwell, we knew we could play with anybody.

"We were disappointed we didn't go further in the playoffs, but it's still exciting to be there. As a player that's what you work towards all season, to make it to the playoffs and try to make a run at it.

"In spring training in 1998 I thought we had a great shot at the playoffs. With Pedro going every fifth day and a deep bullpen, we knew we would do well."

Wakefield emphasizes the role fans play in the post-season. "I remember looking around Fenway in 1998 and seeing that the stands were full long before the game started. You're used to noticing that the seats fill up around the second inning in the regular season, but the playoffs are different.

"And you can really hear the difference in the crowd noise. The fans are much more

intense. As a player you kind of feed off that." The Red Sox victory in game five in Cleveland against the Indians in 1999 stands out in Tim Wakefield's mind. "I was down in the bullpen, and the home runs were flying out. Then Pedro went in and shut them down. It was a great comeback."

When this year's playoffs begin, he will be thinking about the long road to the post-season. "As a player you think about how you busted your tail though spring training and six months of the regular season to get there. It's a fresh start. Like spring training, only better."

After a pause, he adds, "You know it's time to start playing some serious baseball." ★

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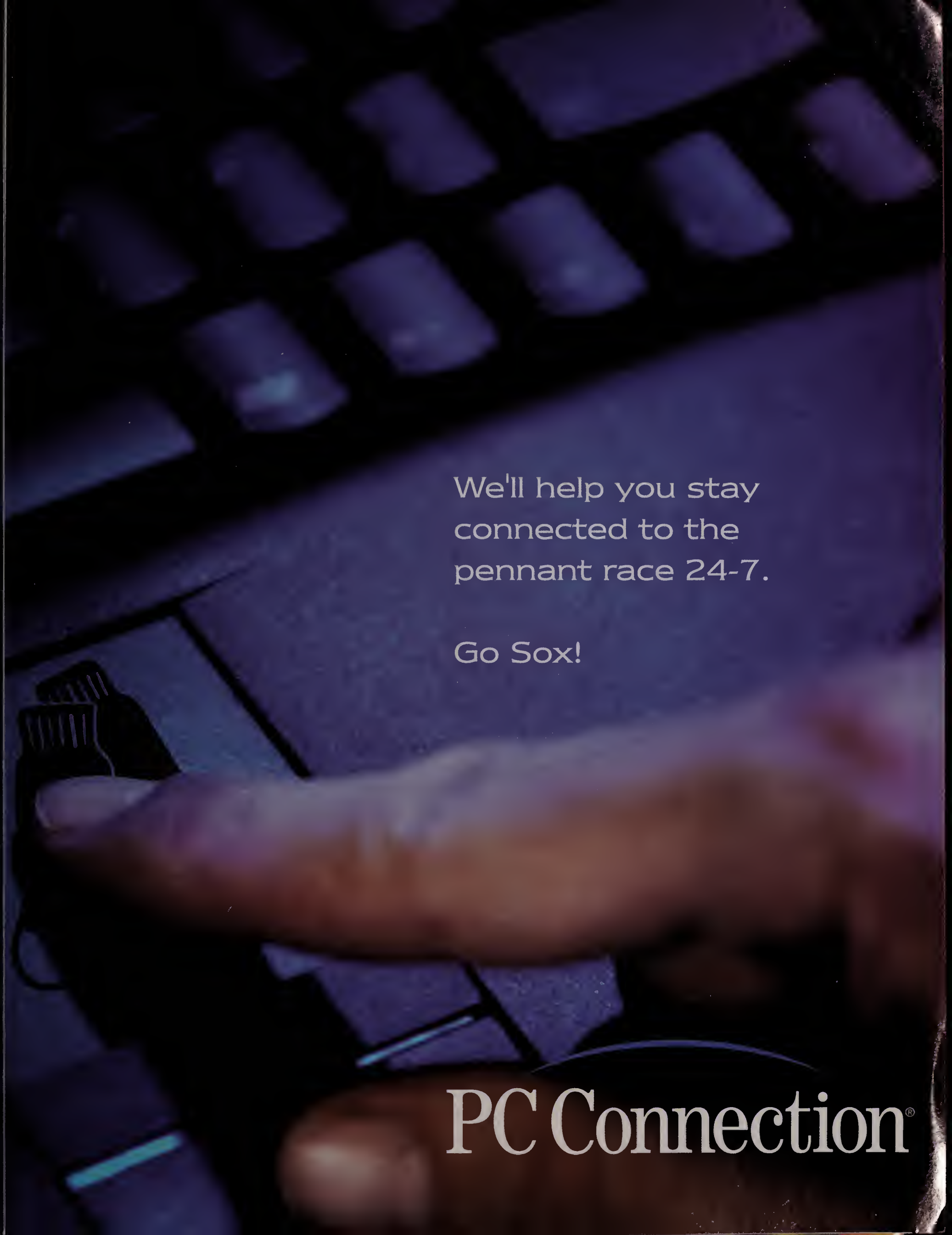


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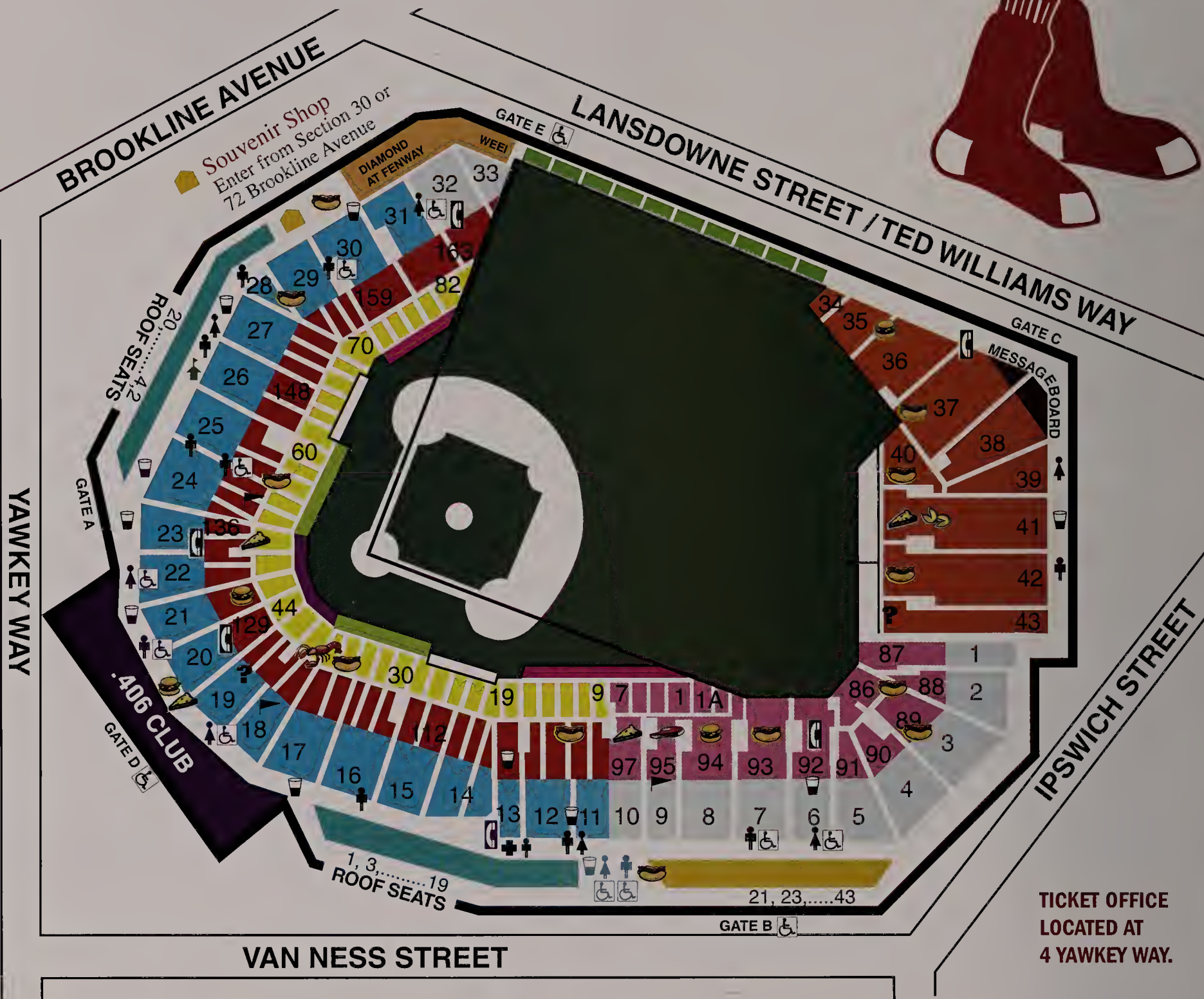
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YEAR	OPPONENT	WINNER	GAMES	RED SOX LEADING HITTER	
1903	Pittsburgh Pirates	RED SOX	5-3	Chick Stahl	.303 (10-33)
1904	NO SERIES HELD				
1912	New York Giants	RED SOX	4-3-1	Tris Speaker	.300 (9-30)
1915	Philadelphia Phillies	RED SOX	4-1	Duffy Lewis	.444 (8-18)
1916	Brooklyn Dodgers	RED SOX	4-1	Duffy Lewis	.353 (6-17)
1918	Chicago Cubs	RED SOX	4-2	McInnis & Whiteman	.250 (5-20)
1946	St. Louis Cardinals	Cardinals	4-3	Bobby Doerr	.409 (9-22)
1967	St. Louis Cardinals	Cardinals	4-3	Carl Yastrzemski	.400 (10-25)
1975	Cincinnati Reds	Reds	4-3	Carl Yastrzemski	.310 (9-29)
1986	New York Mets	Mets	4-3	Marty Barrett	.433 (13-30)



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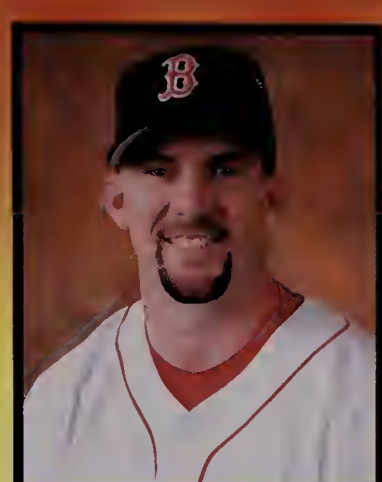
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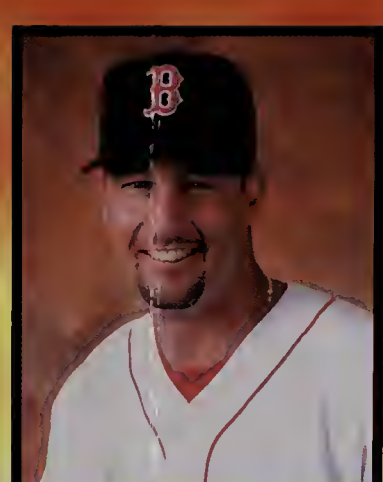
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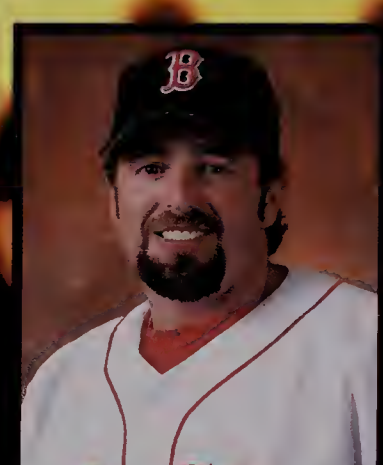
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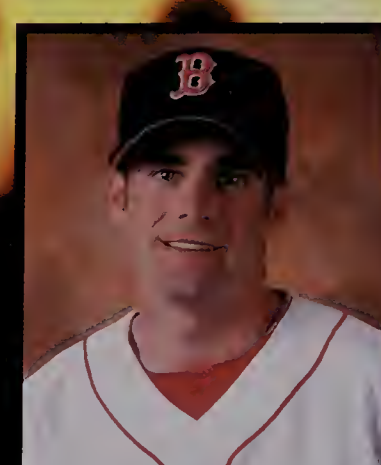
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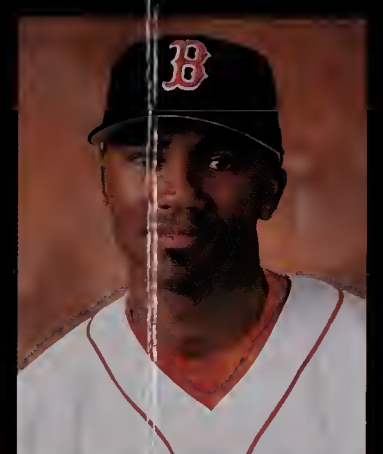
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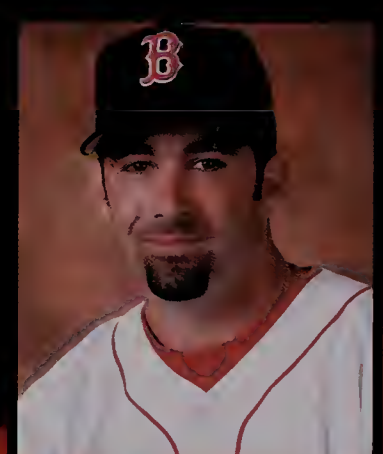
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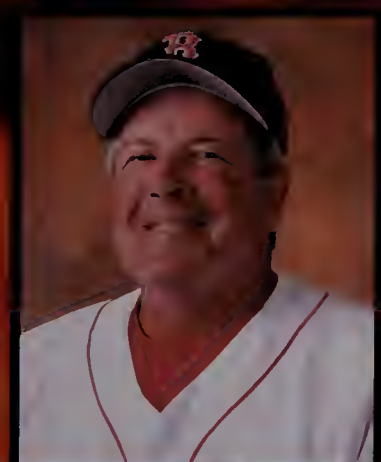
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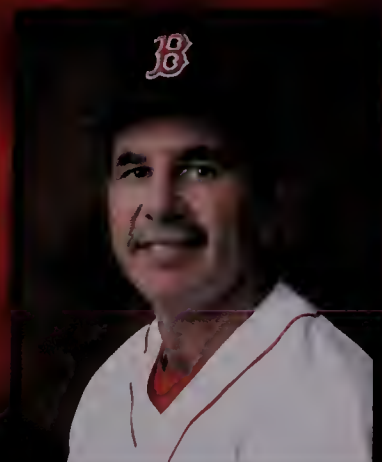
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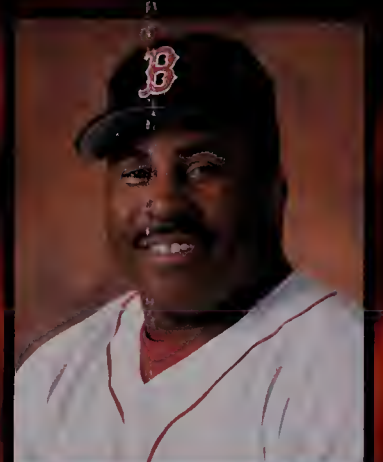
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